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Strikes expected as schools open

By SUSAN BELLOS
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Israel's schoolchildren will be back in their classrooms this morning amid strikes and a political furor over Education Minister Zevulun Hammer's alleged plans to dismantle the 10-year-old intermediate school reform.

Strikes and delays are expected today at between 10 and 15 of the country's 17,000 schools. President Ephraim Katzir will tour the schools, as will UJA leaders and the director-general's office will be on stand-by all day to "deal with all issues."

Chairman of the Parents' Union, Pinhas Biran, has urged parents not to use their private weapons, and the Ministry has warned teachers to be especially diligent.

Integration is a price society should pay for a better education, Biran said. "Integration is a price society should pay for a better education," he said. "Integration is a price society should pay for a better education," he said.

intermediate schools this year." But he added that "since the intermediate school reform is now 10 years old, it's time to take a fresh look at it." As for social integration, he said that the Minister "strongly supported it, the only question was how it was carried out."

Dr. Shalom Levine, the Histadrut Teachers' Union secretary-general, said yesterday that he supported Hammer's plans for re-evaluating the reform. Levine, who led the fight 10 years ago against the late Education Minister Zalman Aranne's school reform, is not opposed to integration, but believes that it should be carried out in the elementary schools rather than in an intermediate school framework, and that it has largely failed in achieving its educational objectives in the intermediate schools.

East Jerusalem children are also going back to school today, 4,050 to state schools and about 8,000 to private and UNWRA schools. According to the Municipality, two inspectors have been delegated this year to work full-time on the problem of school attendance. Municipal sources estimate that over 500 children do not go to school in East Jerusalem and more attend irregularly or drop out very early, especially girls from the villages around Jerusalem. More serious attempts will be made this year to enforce attendance, mostly through persuasion such as in planned meetings with mukhtars and letters to parents and principals.

The Municipality is opening two classes for retarded children at the Ahmed Khalifa School in Wadi Joz, and would like to offer more special education classes, the Municipal education official said, "but we lack trained teachers in this area."

The Ministry's Early Childhood

Department announced yesterday that it was stepping up inspection of private nursery schools (for ages two to four) and setting a maximum fee of IL300 a month. (Municipal nursery schools have a maximum fee of IL370.) More stringent specifications for private nursery schools have been laid down — such as a maximum of 35 children in a class of 3-4 year olds where there must be both a teacher and an aide. An obligatory textbook is also being introduced for the first time in the compulsory state kindergarten for five year olds. "Stories of our Communities," which emphasizes Oriental Jewish heritage.

Education Ministry director-general Eliezer Shmueli announced last night that "the Noam school crisis has been solved." The parents' committee, he said, has agreed to accept the offer by the Boys' Town school complex in Bayit Vegan of 12 new classrooms. The girls at this private orthodox elementary school will remain at the old premises in Kiryat Moshe.

However, the Ein Karem-Kiryat Anavim School problem was still not solved as of last night. Parents from the Jerusalem Hills settlements of Amlinadav, Ora and Even Sapir will send their children this morning to Kiryat Anavim, instead of the 90 per cent disadvantaged Ein Karem School to which they have been diverted by the Ministry. Shmueli said that he met the sheikhs of the Agrifit and Mazaribeh Beduin tribes from Eneq Yisrael who promised that they would send their children to school. They agreed to do so after Shmueli guaranteed that he would give them separate premises where they would not be obliged to study with the children of a tribe with whom they have a blood feud. (See related stories Page 3)

Judicial panel may probe crime

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A judicial committee of inquiry into organized crime is expected to be recommended to the Cabinet by Interior Minister Yosef Burg, who yesterday received the Bochner Committee report on the extent and nature of crime in Israel.

Dr. Burg plans to discuss the report with Prime Minister Menachem Begin next week, and the Cabinet will most likely discuss organized crime during its meeting on September 11, according to the Interior Ministry spokesman.

The Attorney General, at Burg's request, is drafting terms of reference for the judicial inquiry panel.

Police Inspector-General Haim Tavori, who appointed Nitzav Mishne Michael Bochner to head the inquiry on August 8, also received the report yesterday. According to several newspapers and the radio, the report stated that "there was no organized crime in the country," and that "nothing was revealed that was not known before." The statements were attributed to various senior police officials. But the National Police spokesman yesterday dismissed these conclusions as "speculation."

The spokesman conceded, however, that Bochner Committee members may have leaked some information to the press.

"Ma'ariv" yesterday said the report concludes that there are "district bosses in the underworld who take pains to guard their territory." "Yediot Aharonot" quoted "sources in national police headquarters" as saying: "You can write with absolute assurance that (the report concludes that) the stories about organized crime are only a soap bubble."

Last week, Dr. Burg said that if the conclusions of the Bochner Committee warranted the appointment of another investigating committee, he would prefer a judicial committee of inquiry to a parliamentary one.

But is now appears that he has decided on the necessity of a judicial committee of inquiry even before reading the Bochner Committee's report.

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Eitan

Shafir

Race for C-o-S narrows

Post Military Correspondent

It has become clear that Israel's next chief of staff will be either newly-named O.C. Operations Aluf Rafael Eitan (Rafal), or O.C. Southern Command Herzl Shafir. It is believed, however, that when Chief of Staff Rav-Aluf Mordechai Gur hands over command next March, his successor will, in all probability, be Eitan.

Previously other names had been mentioned in the race: Aluf Yitzhak Hoff (who, according to foreign press reports, is the current head of the Mossad), and Aluf (Res.) Israel Tal, an adviser to the Defence

Minister and head of the Merkava tank project.

A third contender was Aluf Yekutiel Adam, whose chances were dimmed when he was unexpectedly replaced by Eitan last month.

Meanwhile, there has been some speculation that Defence Minister Ezer Weizman may ask Gur to step down earlier than next March. The traditional date for the changeover of Israel's top military officer is in December. Gur took over earlier than usual due to the findings of the Agron Commission following the Yom Kippur War, which forced then Chief of Staff David Elazar to resign.

DEvised SEALED TRUCK DEATHS

Nazi mass murderer alive and 'satisfied' in Chile

BUENOS AIRES (AP). — The weekly "La Semana" news magazine of Buenos Aires claimed yesterday to have located and interviewed Nazi war criminal Walter Rauff in the Chilean city of Punta Arenas, one of the world's southern most settlements.

Rauff, a former SS lieutenant, is blamed for the murders of at least 100,000 Jews during World War II. Arrested at the end of the war, he was later freed, and moved to South America.

In the late 1950s he was reported to have moved to Chile, where he was arrested briefly in 1962 on a request from the West German government. He was freed on the grounds there was no extradition treaty between Santiago and Bonn. He was then reported to have settled in Punta Arenas, located in Tierra del Fuego. But he had not been heard from in years.

"La Semana" said one of its reporters, Cesar Pena, found Rauff

in Punta Arenas working as the administrator of a major fishing company. The magazine also published pictures of a bespectacled, balding and obese man, identified as Rauff.

"La Semana" quoted the man as saying: "I am a war criminal. But I am guilty of nothing. In war you fight and kill because you received orders and because it is necessary to win. You have to be in a war to know the real meaning of the words to murder, massacre, kill. They reflect only one thing, only one action."

Rauff is blamed for setting up the method of killing Jews aboard sealed trucks, by suffocating them with carbon monoxide fumes.

It was the latest report involving a Nazi in South America, following the death of another war criminal, Edouard Roschmann, in Asuncion, Paraguay, last August 10, of a heart attack. He was accused of having ordered the executions of 40,000 Jews.

U.S. to block change in 242

WASHINGTON. — U.S. Undersecretary of State Philip Habib yesterday promised Israel Ambassador Simcha Dinits that the U.S. will block any attempt to change the UN Security Council Resolution 242.

Israel's Radio's Ben Nisan reports that the Israel and U.S. positions continue to differ on what should be done in preparation for the coming session of the UN General Assembly. But the Americans, he said, had promised to stop Arab efforts at the UN to change the terms of the resolution. (The Arabs object that it does not mention the PLO and that it refers to the Arab refugees as refugees.)

Nisan said highly-placed sources added that the U.S. will prevent any attempts to damage Israel's status at the UN and in international relations in general.

Wolf Blitzer adds: President Jimmy Carter is likely to hold two rounds of separate talks with visiting Israeli and Arab foreign ministers, in addition to the meetings they will hold with Secretary of State Cyrus Vance. The meetings are set for September 19 and 20, according to some reports.

Informed U.S. sources said that Carter is planning to meet with visiting Israeli Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan and his Arab counterparts in Washington during the second round of September and then in New York early in October. Carter is flying to New York to address the opening session of the UN General Assembly.

The Americans hope that by the end of Carter's second round of meetings with the foreign ministers the outstanding procedural differences involved in the reconvening of the Geneva conference might be resolved.

Israel Ambassador Simcha Dinits met for lunch yesterday with Under Secretary of State Philip Habib. It was assumed here that they would be discussing Dayan's forthcoming visit.

That Carter wants to meet at least twice with the foreign ministers indicates the importance he attaches to the talks. The Americans clearly feel that "the ball is now in the Arab court" because the Palestine Liberation Organization has rejected America's minimal offer. Washington would now like to see the

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El Al flies with only three supervisors

Jerusalem Post Reporter

N-GURION AIRPORT. — El Al continue to fly today although a flight supervisors resigned yesterday. Three other supervisors remained at their posts, which is sufficient to meet civil aviation regulations.

Had all 12 supervisors resigned, El would have been forced to cancel flights.

Shortly after the flight supervisors, whose main job is arranging operational procedure of the air-resigned, the board of directors of national carrier adopted a tough resolution. It resolved to remove the chairman of the board, Carmel, and the director of the company, Mordechai

Ben-Ari, to negotiate with the government for formal authority to stop all flights until the "disruptive work disputes" within the company ended.

At meeting yesterday morning the flight supervisors, headed by Captain Ya'acov Morgan received an appeal by Defence Minister Ezer Weizman "to keep the skies over Israel open." It is understood that three of the supervisors acceded to this request with the tacit consent of the other nine.

The nine supervisors will probably return to become chief pilots on El Al planes, or in other capacities, thus continuing to work for the company. They had resigned to press their cases for clear-cut definitions of

their authority.

After meeting the board under the chairmanship of Carmel, a three-point communiqué was issued.

The first was that the board "viewed with great regret the organized resignation" of the flight supervisors, as well as (three) other labour disputes, which violated labour contracts. These disputes concern the technical supervisors, flight engineers and the stewards.

The second point empowered Carmel and Ben-Ari to seek authority to cease all flights if the "labour disturbances" continued. The third point was an expression of "confidence" in Ben-Ari and an authorization for him to work for the "proper" functioning of El Al.

Ethiopia destroys 3 Somalia planes

LONDON (Reuters). — Ethiopia said yesterday it had shot down three Somali fighter planes over the northeastern Ethiopian city of Jijiga.

Lebanon rejects PLO bid on South Lebanon

Lebanon officially rejected the Arab League yesterday a Palestinian Organization demand for a solution of the South Lebanon at next Saturday's Arab ministers' meeting in Cairo. The refusal was in a note Lebanese Foreign Minister As'ad Badawi sent to the Arab League Secretary-General Rifaat Badawi.

Noted as saying "the crisis on the Lebanese front is not a crisis of the central government, but a crisis of the state." He said a strong state should dare try to share the burden of the state. A policy speech published.

His warning was seen as directed at Christian militia leaders as well as the PLO terrorists and their Lebanese leftist allies.

The Moslem Premier, who has rarely spoken in public since he took office eight months ago, reflects the official views of the even more silent Christian President Elias Sarkis.

Both are backed by an Arab League "peacekeeping" army that halted the 19-month civil war in Lebanon last November, except for southern regions bordering Israel.

"There shall be no distinction for one group over the other," Hoss said. "The new Lebanon will be based on equality, justice and democracy."

He reiterated that Lebanon will maintain its Arab character and will develop "a distinguished relationship" with neighbouring Syria, which provides the bulk of the 30,000-man peacekeeping force.

Hoss admitted, however, that his government and the Arab force have failed to reestablish law and order in

the country. "But we shall carry on our efforts to the end despite security setbacks," he said.

He obviously was referring to the recent clashes between Maronite Christians and members of the Druse sect that killed 15 and wounded 20 in the Shouf mountains overlooking Beirut.

Hoss also vowed to defend and preserve South Lebanon as an integral part of the nation.

Meanwhile, Israeli-backed Christians and Palestinian terrorists fought for control of South Lebanon, and called on the government to take action.

Phalangists claim a Palestinian withdrawal from the southern region is a prerequisite to peace, while the Palestinians maintain the Christians are colluding with Israel to disrupt government efforts to achieve a ceasefire. As it stands now, both sides are continuing to fight with artillery, and machineguns. (UPI, AP)

IMF parley

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Finance Minister Simcha Ehrlich gave early this morning for a parley with the U.S., where he will participate in the annual meeting of the International Monetary Fund of governors. He is also U.S. Secretary of the Treasury Blumenthal, and is expected to ask for \$1.5b. in economic aid — the same as last year.

His visit, Ehrlich will also talk with potential investors in Jewish leaders. Finance minister will be joined by Israel Governor Arnon

Smith sweep in Rhodesia vote

SALISBURY (UPI). — Rhodesian Prime Minister Ian Smith, fighting for a mandate from whites to resist both Anglo-American majority-rule plans and white Rhodesian racists, won a decisive victory in parliament elections yesterday.

Early returns showed Smith's new-constituted Rhodesia Front party will have crushed both the right-wing Rhodesia Action Party and the liberal National Unifying Force by the time all returns are in today.

In one constituency that had been in doubt, incumbent Colin Barlow

— formerly of Smith's Rhodesian Front but now an RAF leader — lost to his RF opponent, a newcomer to politics, 1,413-217.

One constituency that Rhodesian Front officials had feared losing to liberal independent Ahn Palley — Salisbury city — went to the Rhodesian Front candidate 631-333, with the RAP candidate taking only 32 votes.

Even before the election, which saw a high turnout of voters — about 80 per cent in many constituencies — National Unifying Force leader Allan Savory said he expected Smith to win all 50 white parliament seats.

Kyprianou gets in unopposed

NICOSIA, Cyprus. — No opposition to Acting President Spyros Kyprianou surfaced as the deadline for filing for Cyprus' presidential by-election passed Tuesday.

A formal proclamation naming him president is to be made today in accordance with a legal formality requiring a seven-hour period for submission of objections to his candidacy.

Kyprianou, 44, was accepted as the single candidate by the four active Greek Cypriot political parties, ranging from communist to conservative, to replace the late president Archbishop Makarios who died of a heart attack on August 3.

Kyprianou, president of the Greek Cypriot House of Representatives at the time of Makarios' death, became acting president under a constitutional provision calling for a presidential by-election within 40 days.

He is the leader of the right-centre Democratic Party, which gave full support to Makarios' internal policies and his external non-aligned stand.

Meanwhile in the UN, Cyprus Foreign Minister John Christophides has proposed the establishment of a

three-member UN Security Council committee on Cyprus, diplomatic sources said yesterday.

Christophides arrived in New York on Monday to press charges by his government in the Council, alleging that the Turkish army had taken first steps to take over the Greek sector of the city of Famagusta on the east coast of the island.

The sources said the Council would convene a formal meeting either this afternoon or tomorrow. (AP, UPI).

Flatto bids on luxury liner

TEL AVIV (UPI). — Samuel Flatto-Sharon MK said in a radio interview yesterday that he is heading an international group of businessmen who want to turn the 66,350-ton retired French luxury liner France into a giant floating hotel and casino off Eilat.

He said his group has offered 110 million francs (about IL225m.) to the ship owners, the Transatlantic Company of Paris. Saudi investors have offered 100 million francs (about IL205m.).

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President Ephraim Katzir yesterday received Education Minister Zevulun Hammer. He also met with Reuven Sternfeld, deputy head of the Inter-American Development Bank.

Prime Minister Menachem Begin met with British ambassador John Mason, in the Prime Minister's Office. They discussed Israeli-British relations.

Brazilian Ambassador Miguel da Silva Paranhos do Rio Branco called on Religious Affairs Minister Aharon Abuhaseira yesterday.

U.S. Ambassador Samuel Lewis called on Sephardi Chief Rabbi Ovadia Yosef yesterday at Hechal Shlomo in Jerusalem and was briefed on the Rabbinical court system and the history of the Sephardi chief rabbinate.

A lecture on new trends in treating autistic children will be given by Dr. Bertram Rutenberg, director of the Philadelphia development centre for autistic children, at 8.30 p.m. Sunday, September 4, at Beit Mikha, 23 Reidling Street, Tel Aviv.

Carl Steward, Speaker of the North Carolina House of Representatives, accompanied by Ted Kaplan, member of the House, yesterday visited the Hebrew University and met with vice-president Bernard Cherrick.

American writer Alex Haley will receive the title Honorary Fellow of the Hebrew University in a ceremony at the university next Tuesday. He will lecture on "In Search of Roots."

In Memoriam

Haim Joseph Selaky, Tel Aviv businessman and philanthropist, has died, aged 65. Born in Salonika, he came to Israel in 1933 and eleven years later established his own metal import firm. After Selaky's only son, Jossi, who was a student of engineering at the Technion, died tragically at the age of 26, he contributed considerable sums towards the construction of a library in the Technion's department of metallurgy, the purchase of books and the establishment of a fund for gifted students. He donated a wing at Michal in Tel Aviv and a dental surgical prosthetic unit at the Hadassah-Hebrew University Medical Centre at Ein Karem, Jerusalem.

ARRIVALS

Yitzhak Navon, MK from New York, after an extended visit to North and South America on Bonds and Zionist movement matters.

Phil Granovsky, co-chairman of Keren Hayesod-United Israel Appeal, for consultations at the Keren Hayesod head office.

DEPARTURES

Jewish Agency Executive chairman Yosef Almog, to Copenhagen, to open the Keren Hayesod-United Israel Appeal campaign in Denmark; and to Paris, to attend meetings of Brussels Commission president.

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Pro-Dayan group forms debate society

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
Post Political Reporter

Likud, Labour and Democratic Movement for Change leaders who support Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan will soon inaugurate a debating society which may develop into a new political party. However, the organizers yesterday denied any intention of breaking up existing parties.

Some 500 invitations have been sent out following two months of preparations. The organizers include Likud MK Zelman Shoval, who was with the late David Ben-Gurion and Dayan in the Rafi Party, and the Alignment's Aharon Harel, the chairman of the Histadrut Organization Department.

Shoval said yesterday that he expected many members of the moshavim movement, some members of the Labour-affiliated Ihud Hakevutsot Ve'hakibbutzim and members of other parties to attend the meeting in Kfar Hamacabiah in Ramat Gan on Saturday, September 10.

Dayan will open and summarize the first debate on the policies that Israel should follow "leading to Geneva." This places him at the top

of the new organization although there is no formal leader. Shoval told *The Jerusalem Post*.

The forum is designed to facilitate debates among people with similar views who belong to various parties. Shoval claimed that the government's policies on foreign affairs, defence, relations with the Arabs and settlement enjoy wider support than reflected in the government's narrow majority in the Knesset. He claimed that the new group will express that support.

Observers believe the forum is also designed to strengthen Dayan's political power. Although claiming that Dayan and the other organizers do not want to break up existing parties, Shoval would not rule out the possibility that the forum will develop into a new party.

The Alignment's Harel told *The Post* he will not be a member of the forum if it moves towards creation of a new party. He said he supports formation of a debating society, "but I will not lend my hand to any move which will harm the Labour Party."

Israel Granit, of the Democratic Movement for Change, claimed yesterday the new group does not involve any political obligations.

Rabin: Rift too wide for Geneva

VIENNA (Reuters). — Former Premier Yitzhak Rabin said on Tuesday night that Arabs and Israelis still held fundamentally divergent views on how to secure peace in the Middle East, and the rift is too big to convene a new round of the Geneva peace conference.

In a lecture to a private gathering of Jewish leaders, Rabin said agreement on Israel's final borders or a solution to the Palestinian problem were not the most important elements to securing peace in the region.

Instead, the basic difference revolved around the definition of peace itself — whether the absence of war was enough or whether a

more positive state of reconciliation was required.

"Unfortunately the gap between the positions of the two sides is still wide, wide open," he said.

Rabin said that hostilities would not end with the creation of a separate state for Palestinians.

"This is not the main issue and any attempt to make it so is completely false."

Rabin avoided any detailed comments on the policies of Prime Minister Begin.

The Labour leader said Israel's pre-1967 frontiers could not be defended. "The Knesset was within the range of machinegun and light mortars. These were not defensible lines."

Sharon: No retreat from Golan

Agriculture Minister Ariel Sharon last night cautioned against any Israeli withdrawal from the Golan Heights. "We must not pull back from the Heights because of their vital strategic importance to our defence," Sharon told a conference held at Kibbutz Meron Ha'golan to observe the 10th anniversary of Jewish settlement on the Heights.

"Firstly, the Heights were used as a base by Syria to attack our northern settlements before 1967,

and this must never happen again," he said. "Secondly, one-third of Israel's water supply originates from sources in the Heights, and finally, since the Syrian takeover in Lebanon our northern defence problem has become more complicated, but the Golan provides some balance."

Sharon declared that the Jewish people have the right to settle in any part of Biblical Palestine.

Ministry raps Post on Rumania

A top Foreign Ministry official last night took strong exception to a report yesterday from *Bucharest* by *The Jerusalem Post* Diplomatic Correspondent, David Landau, that Prime Minister Menachem Begin and his party were ill prepared for the visit to Rumania, and were unfamiliar with the details of former Prime Minister Golda Meir's visit to Bucharest in 1972 and the joint communiqué issued then.

The official said the 1972 communiqué served as the basis for the draft of a joint statement submitted to the Rumanian government in preparation for Begin's visit. The Rumanians were also aware of the connection, he said.

matters during a visit whose main purpose was to discuss basic political questions concerning the Middle East, he said.

The official claimed that Begin's presentation in Bucharest had been well prepared and thoroughly documented in advance.

Itzhak Avineri, Hebraist, dies

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

Itzhak Avineri, prominent Israeli Hebraist, who died in Tel Aviv, was buried in Holon Tuesday afternoon. Born in Plovdiv, Ukraine, Avineri first came to Eretz Israel to study at Herzliya Gymnasium in 1913. He returned after living in Odessa, Berlin and Paris, where he graduated in mathematics at Sorbonne; he settled here in 1928.

Avineri dedicated his life to the Hebrew language. He created numerous new Hebrew words and found modern meaning for ancient expressions. His major work, "Hechal Hamishkalim," received the Hebrew Language Academy prize. (A.Z.)

Jack Morrison dies at 75

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. — Jack Morrison, one of the leading figures in B'nai B'rith both in Britain and internationally, died here this week. Morrison, aged 75, was the first Honorary Grand President and a founder with Philip Klutznick of B'nai B'rith's International Council.

Born in Manchester and educated in Glasgow, Morrison was one of three brothers who were all active in the Jewish community and who established a reputation for philanthropy.

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Kiddies cope with computers

By ZVI ARENSTEIN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA. — Children at two local elementary schools returned to school this week and found a new addition to their classrooms — computer terminals. The computers are part of an experiment sponsored by the Ben-Gurion University in conjunction with the Education Ministry.

Yosef Regav, head of services at the university's Computer Centre, told *The Jerusalem Post* that the programme is aimed at underprivileged children with learning disabilities. "The intention is to get these pupils to relate positively to their studies with no pain and no bad feeling. We use educational games to develop their thought processes and show them that they can overcome their learning problems," he explained.

With the help of Dr. Binyamin Hen of the Education faculty, Regav will be offering teachers in two local schools a number of teaching materials which were devised at Beersheba pupils who studied under centre last year. "We start these simple games which introduce the child to educational atmosphere will inject more material," he said.

Regav sees the programme as a replacement for the terminal line between teachers and pupils at two different levels.

Pupils will be tutoring from the pupils who can't pay a question a second is likely to warn him and answer the question. The computer has plenty of patience and can wait until it gets a desired answer, Regav says.

Another advantage is that a computer class can contain pupils of different levels and allow slow a fast learners to advance at their own pace. "One of our goals is to remove the stigma surrounding the name gifted or slow children by allowing all pupils to sit in the same classroom," Regav said. Pupils will be tested daily so that inadequacy could be rectified in time.

The programme is being tried in two on a limited basis with terminals being installed at different schools, at a cost of about IL20,000. The fruits of the programme will be reaped, according to Regav, when the children's learning disabilities acquire confidence and success in their studies — a goal which the Israeli teacher has been struggling with for decades.

Cash shortage may close kindergartens

By LEA LEVAVI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — All 39 kindergartens in Nazareth may fail to open this morning and kindergartens elsewhere in the country may close down on Sunday, if budget and safety problems are not solved immediately, the Histadrut's Teachers Union warned yesterday.

The Nazareth kindergarten teachers have not received the budget they need to buy work materials for their kindergartens, a union spokesman said.

Elsewhere in the country, kindergartens in Netanya, Or Yehuda, Bnei Brak, Dimona and elsewhere may close again on Sunday if existing problems are not settled, the union said.

In Or Yehuda, where there are 35 kindergartens, a labour dispute has already been declared and a strike will start Sunday if safety hazards (open holes, etc.) are not eliminated and budgets are not forthcoming.

A spokesman for the Education Ministry said the ministry has received no strike warnings from the union and that most of the problems raised by the union are within the authority of each individual municipality.

He added that the budget delays had occurred because the state budget was approved only last week.

Rishon prepared for smooth opening of school year

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

RISHON LEZION. — This veteran town's educational network is prepared this morning to absorb 20,000 pupils, from kindergarten to high school age, Shmuel Shatzky, the town manager, told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday.

Shatzky said that the town, known for its rapid increase in population (90,000 residents today), has managed to start the school year without a hitch due to its modernized and streamlined educational network. The pupils' records are completely computerized. Persons planning to move to Rishon, and have children of

school age, were requested by February to inform the education department so that the figures be up-to-date.

Shatzky emphasized that out of the town's total budget of IL160m. this year, IL40m. goes to education. He plans to continue streamlining this system, to turn one of the most efficient municipalities.

The Municipality is also opening the town's first vocational school, a six ninth-grade vocational school, and a computerized, being electronic ties, and a township instrument.

Substitute for teacher?...Children at a Beersheba elementary school get their lessons from the all-patient computer.

REFORM PROGRAMME REAFFIRMED Teachers reply to criticism by rivals

By LEA LEVAVI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Secondary School Teachers Association has reiterated its support of the reform (junior high school) programme, to counterbalance statements against the reform by officials of the rival Histadrut Teachers Union.

The Histadrut Teachers Union's 50,000 members are mostly elementary school teachers.

Reuben Aviram, chairman of the Secondary School Teachers Association, explained his organization's position during a meeting with Education Minister Zevulun Hammer earlier this week.

"We have no doubt that educational achievement in junior high is better than that in seventh and eighth grade elementary school classes," Aviram said. "In other countries, the eight-year elementary school and four-year high school have virtually disappeared."

Those who oppose the reform have mustered the aid of research findings which show the reform as something

less than successful. But Aviram is not so sure: "Educational experiments are not like experiments in the natural sciences. The conclusions are not so clear-cut. As for integration, it's true that full integration has not been achieved, but the very fact that the children are in the same school, even if some of them beat each other up occasionally, is at least a step towards integration. It's better than keeping them in entirely separate schools."

Nathan Nehorai of the Histadrut Teachers Union has suggested a comparative experiment: Since the parents at the Tel Nardau school are against the reform, he said, perhaps the opportunity could be used to add a ninth grade to Tel Nardau and then to compare the nine-year elementary school with the junior high to see which is more effective.

Haim Basok, deputy mayor for education, had not only turned down the idea but also intimated that the Histadrut Teachers Union had an axe to grind in wanting to preserve the eight or nine-year elementary school.

Herzog: Publicize PLO stand

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — Israel's UN Ambassador Chaim Herzog has asked UN Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim to circulate as an official document the Palestine Liberation Organization's statement, which was issued at the meeting of its executive committee in Damascus last week.

Herzog was obviously eager that the headline stance taken by the PLO be used to Israel's propaganda advantage. He hopes that everyone at the UN will read the PLO statement and see for himself that the PLO refuses to accept even minimum conditions for peace, including UN

Security Council Resolution 242 and Israel's right to exist.

Earlier this year Herzog took advantage of the same parliamentary manoeuvre, asking Waldheim to circulate the PLO National Covenant among UN missions. The covenant openly calls for Israel's destruction. At that time the PLO observation mission at the UN called a press conference to "explain" its covenant.

In addition to last week's four-point programme, Herzog also asked Waldheim to attach the 15-point statement issued by the PLO last March following a meeting of its executive committee.

Under UN protocol, Waldheim must meet Herzog's request.

Arafat and Gromyko criticize U.S. mediation in M.E.

MOSCOW (AP). — Palestine Liberation Organization leader Yasser Arafat wound up three days of talks yesterday with Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko with a joint communique that indirectly criticized U.S. mediation efforts in the Middle East.

Arafat returned to Beirut after leaving Moscow. In the joint communique, distributed by Tass, Arafat and Gromyko said a settlement of the Middle East crisis "can be ensured only at the Geneva peace conference with the participation of all sides directly concerned, including the Palestine Liberation Organization."

The Soviet Union and Palestinian spokesman have criticized the Middle East shuttle diplomacy of U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance as inadequate to solve the problems of the region.

The communique attacked "Israel and its benefactors" for allegedly trying to avoid a Geneva conference. It also scored attempts "to distract attention from this representative forum by all kinds of ideas on the discussion of Middle East problems without the participation of the representative of the PLO and the Soviet Union."

Arafat, who in the past year has begun meeting with Gromyko after years of access only to lower level Soviet diplomats, visited Moscow on the eve of Gromyko's talks with Vance in Vienna next week. Those talks will include discussions of the Middle East as well as problems in achieving a new strategic arms limitation agreement.

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Israel agrees to Unesco visit

Jerusalem Post Staff

Israel has agreed to allow Unesco to send a fact-finding mission to administered territories to investigate cultural freedom, the Foreign Ministry said yesterday. Israel's agreement was given on condition that the members of the delegation should belong to countries which have diplomatic relations with

Jerusalem, or are professional experts, the ministry spokesman said. The reversal of policy virtually ends a three-year dispute with the UN Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization. At one point the feud prompted the U.S. to cut off its annual dues and turned many leading artists and cultural figures against Unesco.

US AND 242

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Arab states come up with a formula to skirt the issue of Palestinian representation at Geneva — a formula acceptable to Israel.

What is now clear is that everyone, including Israel, the Arab states, the Soviet Union and the U.S., has agreed that Lebanon should be brought into the negotiations as a full participant. The Lebanese government, headed by Elias Sarkis, is also anxious to join the peace talks. But what is not yet certain is when the Lebanese will actually join the talks. This is currently being discussed.

American officials seem divided on whether or not the PLO's rejection last Friday of UN Security Council Resolution 242 is final. Some high U.S. officials insist that "we have not yet heard their last word," while others strongly doubt that the PLO will ease its stand.

NEW MAYOR. — Menachem Ariav, 48, for many years Upper Nazareth's Labour Council secretary and a former Deputy Mayor, was last night elected Mayor at a brief Town Council meeting. Voting for him were the five members of the Labour Party and the Likud councillor, Ya'acov Windisch, who was elected Deputy Mayor. The five remaining members of the 11-man Council were absent.



Behind the Big Top in Tel Aviv...

... Catherine Rosenheimer talks to members of the Medra Circus.

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Malraz dissidents to from rival group

By LEA LEVAVI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — David Stvan, former secretary-general of Malraz — the Public Council for the Prevention of Noise and Air Pollution — has decided to help set up a rival environmental protection association together with those who are dissatisfied with Malraz's current leadership.

The idea of setting up a new group was first suggested by Professor Anthony Peranio, who had been Malraz's scientific advisor and a member of its board until he resigned over differences with board chairman Simon Gitter and other board members.

Peranio had objected to Gitter's stand that there was nothing wrong in Malraz taking money from the Nesher cement works and what he called "other polluters." Peranio also disagreed with Gitter's position that Israel should develop nuclear power and on other issues.

When the board sided with Gitter, Peranio resigned from it and tried to set up an opposition faction which, he hoped, would bring about change at the organization's general meeting. But when the general meeting last month re-elected the incumbents, Peranio and his followers decided to start a new group which, they feel, will take a more vigorous stand in protecting the public interest.

Meanwhile, Gitter has gone abroad for a year and the Malraz chairmanship has been taken over by Yehuda Be'eri. Be'eri said he expects to present new programmes at the next board meeting, including plans to set up more branches and to involve more volunteers.

"I also think we have to do something about public relations," he said. "We handle a lot of complaints and do a lot of important work but the media don't mention us and that's how the public can start asking questions like 'Is Malraz dead or alive?'"

Fund-raising is another area in which Be'eri has new ideas, he said, but he felt he should not detail them until they are discussed by the board. "Gitter deserves all the credit for putting Malraz back on its feet financially," he said. "When Gitter came in, Malraz was closed because its treasury was empty."

The opposition, however, says that Malraz under Be'eri is "just the same woman in a different dress" and that their plans to set up a new

organization have not changed. When asked where they would get the money (even Malraz says its allotments from the government may be cut because of the budget squeeze), spokesmen for the new group said they would rely primarily on donations from the public.

(The Malraz leadership has said more than once that only a fraction of its budget is raised from membership dues and donations from the public and that it would be impossible to run an organization if individuals had to be depended on to put their hands in their pockets.)

Meanwhile — apparently in an effort to counter the claim that Malraz is dead — Be'eri yesterday announced that the organization last week handled complaints about noise from Arkia's new jet plane, pollution from 20 Tel Aviv buses, and complaints from 40 Rehov Rensess families whose narrow street has become a main traffic artery.

Yehudit Elon, the secretary in the Malraz office on whose shoulders the day-to-day work rests, complained about the responses she got when she wrote to the police and the Transport Ministry after a complaint about 20 polluting buses. The police had returned her letter, she said, because the complainant's name was not on it.

Why, she wanted to know, couldn't they examine the buses even without the complainant's name? The Ministry, she added, had forwarded her letter to the Dan bus company with the request that Dan make the necessary repairs. "That's like telling the cat to guard the milk," Mrs. Elon said.

A police spokesman said the complainant's name is needed if an offender is to be brought to trial. He promised, however, to contact the police traffic department and Malraz and to see that action is taken. (Officials at the Ministry's motor vehicle department were unavailable for comment.)

Malraz has also sent a letter to deputy minister Yoram Aridor, who is in charge of the Transport Ministry, protesting the fact that the city's new law was allowed to go into operation without the silence which had been promised. A spokesman for the Ministry said that silencers will be ordered and put on the planes by mid-1978. But even without them, he said, the plane is within noise regulations and the same model is being flown abroad without silencers.

Beersheba pupils to study city

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA. — Local schoolchildren will be learning this year about their city and how it works in a programme commemorating the 30th anniversary of Beersheba's liberation, according to Ben Sorek, director of education and culture at the municipality.

The programme will emphasize the history of the Negev capital, desert vegetation and the inner workings of the city's water and critical systems.

It also told The Post that some 30,000 pupils studying in the Beersheba public school system this year will attend 12 new nursery schools, two new elementary schools and two new high schools.

A long school day will be instituted at elementary schools with a high percentage of working mothers. For a IL150 monthly fee, adjusted according to income, pupils will stay in school until 4 p.m. A "do-it-yourself" programme, in which pupils will be responsible for certain maintenance in their buildings, will also be tried in elementary schools. Funds saved will go towards additional social programmes.

A FIRE in a Jaffa carpentry on Rehov Yehuda Margosa caused an estimated IL250,000 in damage early Tuesday morning. Firemen managed to stop the flames from spreading to nearby warehouses which were packed with paper and furniture.



Members of a group of 60 Habad Hassidim — first of six planned groups — dancing for joy yesterday before boarding El Al Jumbo taking them to the U.S. to spend the High Holidays with their leader, the Lubavitcher Rabbi.

Eilat stevedores worried about future

By YAA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Concern over a probable drop in activity at the Eilat harbour because Israeli importers intend to use the Suez Canal route, with cargoes then unloaded at the Ashdod and Haifa harbours, will be discussed today by the Shippers Council with Minister of Commerce, Industry and Tourism Yigael Hurvitz.

Arieh Mehulal, council director, told The Jerusalem Post that currently "hardly any imports go through the canal, with the exception of an occasional shipment of South African iron by Koor."

However, he said that the council had learned that a number of importers, who have purchased 30,000 to 40,000 tons of building iron in South

Africa and the Far East at lower prices than in Europe, intend shipping through the canal for unloading at Ashdod and Haifa. These shipments are due by the end of the year.

Mehulal estimated the importers will save IL100 per ton on the canal route "and during the building slump that makes a big difference."

He said the council will propose to Hurvitz that the government subsidize overland transport from Eilat to the centre of the country for imports, as it is doing for exports shipped through Eilat.

In addition, the council will propose that the trucking cartel, which provides transportation for Eilat harbour, eliminate or reduce the 35 per cent surcharge on imports

carried northward from Eilat. This is imposed because most of the trucks go empty to Eilat, to pick up the cargoes.

Mehulal added that the truckers also are complaining about lack of employment and this would be a way of assuring them more work.

Mehulal noted that the use of the Suez Canal was economically viable only for bulk cargoes with a relatively low freight charge. For general cargo the Eilat route is cheaper, he said. As a result few ships have used the canal route since Egypt agreed to permit Israel-bound cargoes through two years ago. He indicated that the government may want to encourage passage through the canal to prevent the right to use the canal from expiring for lack of use.

Butcher fined IL10,000 for running shop without licence

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A fine of IL10,000 and 300 days in jail was the punishment a city court meted out yesterday to Yeshayahu Etzioni for operating a butcher shop without a licence at 7 Rehov Manor and for not obeying a court order to close it.

The judge pointed out that the case was particularly serious because the offences were committed over a long period. Difficulties in obtaining a licence do not justify breaking the law, he said.

The difficulties the defendant faced in obtaining a licence prompted the city's attorney to request leniency, particularly since the licence has in the meantime been granted.

The city has also obtained a 30-day closing order against a building supplies store at 12 Rehov Erlich because of complaints by neighbours, lack of a licence and storage of sand and gravel in a public place. A 30-day closing order was also issued against a kafel store at 3 Bethlehem Street because of hygienic deficiencies.

Police say exam-leakers beat witness

TEL AVIV (Ithm). — Magistrate

Yosef Meguri-Cohen yesterday rejected a police request for a lengthy extension of remand for two men already held 23 days on suspicion of helping in the theft and sale of matriculation (bagrut) examinations.

Police had said that friends of Yitzhak Fein and Amir Rotholz on Tuesday had beaten up an 18-year-old girl who is to appear as a principal witness in the case, and that the suspects' release would strengthen attempts to dissuade witnesses. But Judge Meguri-Cohen would only grant an extension of remand until tomorrow.

The judge said the police already have enough evidence for prepara-

tion of a charge-sheet by then, and he would consider on Friday whether to extend remand further. During yesterday's hearing the police representative, Inspector Ya'acov Raz, said that contrary to earlier reports the centre of the examination-leak had been in Tel Aviv and not in Jerusalem. He said that police had the testimony of a photographer to whom the exam forms had been brought for duplication.

In asking for a longer remand, Raz had told the court that it would take eight days to prepare the charges and that releasing the men would cause "public injury." He said that police were seeking other suspects, one of whom had gone underground.

Meshel-Meany matter merely 'a tempest in a teacup'

By LEA LEVAVI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — "A tempest in a teacup" was the way Histadrut spokesman Shmuel Soler described the public reaction to allegations that Histadrut Secretary-General Yehoram Meany was visiting the U.S. to ask AFL-CIO leader George Meany to interfere in Histadrut struggles against the Likud government.

The spokesman said he was surprised by the Histadrut Likud faction's demand to call a meeting of the Histadrut executive on this issue. He added that Histadrut sources in the U.S. had confirmed that Meshel did not seek to enlist the AFL-CIO in

Histadrut disputes over such issues as compulsory arbitration and the government's economic policy. What Meany said on these subjects at his press conference (in which Meshel did not participate) was based on information he had had even before Meshel's visit, the spokesman said, adding that Meany's statements "merely reflected the solidarity between the Israeli and American labour movements."

What did ask Meany's help, the spokesman added, was in Israel's fight for Soviet Jewry, the struggle against the Arab boycott, and pressure against the U.S. government's efforts to legitimize the Palestine Liberation Organization.

Beware of the soda popping!

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The next time you hear a blast, don't be too sure it's a terrorist bomb. It may be a bottle of a carbonated soft drink, according to the Health Ministry.

The ministry noted yesterday that there has been a number of such explosions recently. As a result, the

ministry urged the public to avoid leaving bottles of carbonated beverages in the sun. It was explained that the heat increases the pressure of the carbon dioxide in the liquid, whereupon the bottle may explode.

At the same time, the ministry issued a warning to avoid buying or using food from swollen tins.

Footballers want to play Europe, not Oceania

TEL AVIV (Ithm). — The Israel

Football Association wants to see Israel become part of the sport's European region, and will not agree to join any other region, Association chairman Michael Almog said yesterday.

Earlier this summer, Israel was expelled from the Asian Football Association.

Almog told a press conference here that FIFA, the International Federation of Football Associations — had the right to make Israel play in Oceania (Australia, New Zealand and Fiji) region for its pre-World Cup matches.

Almog, who introduced new coach Emanuel Shaffer, and his aide Amalia Levkovitz at the press conference, said he hoped Israel's entry into European football would come to pass when conditions prove ripe. This might be either through a return to diplomatic relations with Eastern Europe or through some other way.

Roth will vie at Duesseldorf

TEL AVIV. — Israel's champion hurdler and sprinter Esther Roth will leave today for Duesseldorf to represent Asia in the world cup.

In what is considered the most important track and field meet since the Olympics, Esther is rated one of Asia's best prospects in the 110-metre hurdles. But with stiff opposition from Russian and Polish hurdlers, who have this year set times under 13 seconds, Roth will do well to reach the first four. Her event takes place at 8:20 p.m. tomorrow.

Esther injured her foot in training last Saturday and will see a specialist in Germany. It is not certain that she will participate in the sprint events in addition to the hurdles, in which she is among the world's best.

Seventeen-year-old Pazit of Bat Yam has a best time of 2:09.8 which hardly gives her a chance of placing in the first six on Saturday.

Shortage of poultry reported in north

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Just as housewives are beginning to shop for Roosh Hashana, the supplies of live poultry, mainly chickens, has dropped by 40 per cent in the north. This was reported yesterday by merchants association secretary Ze'ev Katz on the basis of information from butchershops and poultry dealers in the area.

Katz wondered if this was a plan to push prices up when demand is high.

U.S. warship due at Ashdod harbour

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The American Sixth Fleet guided-missile destroyer USS John King is due in Ashdod harbour this morning for a six-day visit. She will be the first foreign warship to berth at Ashdod.

The visit was described as a routine rest and recreation visit by John Tunney of the U.S. Embassy. The 240-man crew, including 20 officers, will be guests of the Israel Navy.

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Israel's 'desertification' study inoffensive to Islam

By EVI ARONSTEIN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA. — An Israeli case study, which was denounced by African and Arab delegates at the UN's Nairobi conference on "desertification" as offensive to Islam, had been "checked with a fine-tooth comb" to remove any reference which might have been construed as offensive to the Arabs, according to Haya Galai, a Ben-Gurion University researcher.

Galai, who aided director Yoel Shechter in the editing of the study, said yesterday that the report — "The Negev, a Desert Reclaimed" — was a "primarily factual and technical description of Israeli efforts in the field of Negev settlement and water policy which had no political overtones and no reference to political objectives."

Shechter, representing Israel at the conference, was the object of a walkout on Tuesday by half of the delegates representing 110 nations.

Before Shechter's speech, OAU Assistant Secretary-General N. Djoudi had denounced Israel for "racism" and claimed that the report on the Negev constituted an attempt to redraw Israel's boundaries.

Haya Galai yesterday said that a NASA aerial photo showing clear-cut differences in vegetation levels

between the Negev and the Gaza Strip had been intentionally left out from the report, so as not to offend Arab sensitivities.

She confirmed that the report did contain some historical background on the Negev, which is where the Arab delegates apparently found their cause for protest.

They cited a sentence which said that a decline in agriculture in the Negev began after the Moslem conquest in 630 C.E.

Galai noted that Israel received no financial aid in preparation of the report — as had Chile, India, Iraq, Niger, Pakistan and Tunisia — but was placed in a class of larger nations who were considered able to finance their own research, such as the U.S., USSR, China, Iran and Australia.

In Nairobi yesterday, the conference delegates wrangled over the meaning of "desertification," a word made up in the UN General Assembly three years ago.

As the two-week gathering turned to serious debate of a draft world-wide "plan of action" to curb desert encroachment, delegates from nations with different problems pushed for different definitions of the word.

Israel called for a narrower definition, while the Soviet Union suggested that the official meaning be clarified, but not broadened.

Tuvia Friedman asks Schmidt to try escaped Nazi Kappler

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Tuvia Friedman, the head of the Nazi War Crimes Documentation Centre, yesterday asked German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt to put escaped Nazi criminal Herbert Kappler on trial in Germany.

Friedman wrote to Schmidt that Kappler had been serving a life sentence in Italy only for the murder of 338 Italian hostages in March 1944. He had never been tried for having sent 2,000 Jews of Rome to the extermination camps in his capacity as head of the Gestapo in Rome in October 1943, he wrote.

Kappler had carried out the deportation despite an appeal by the rector of the German Catholic Church in

Rome at the time, Bishop Hudal, for suspending the deportations out of fear that the Pope might openly condemn the action, it was noted. Bishop Hudal had warned that deporting the Jews might put a propaganda weapon into the hands of Germany's enemies.

Because Kappler had carried on the searches for Jews and their deportation, this was sufficient legal ground for the West German authorities to put him on trial, even if the court had to sit at his sick bed. Friedman wrote, Kappler, 70, is reportedly dying of intestinal cancer. Kappler's wife plotted his escape from a Rome prison hospital to northern Germany where he is now hiding.

ACROSS YESTERDAY became the first town in Western Galilee to institute parking cards — valid for white-striped parking places in Rehov Ben-Ami, its main street. Charges will be 50 agorot for each half hour.

A HOLIDAY in Nevot (Nubea, south of Eilat) cost a young couple and an 18-year-old from Haifa an indictment in the Haifa Magistrate's Court on Tuesday on charges of committing an indecent act by walking about the beach naked.

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Smith expects Anglo-U.S. plan to be 'kind of ultimatum'

SALISBURY (UPI). — Prime Minister Ian Smith yesterday said it seemed that the Anglo-American peace proposals were "a kind of ultimatum," but he was still ready to discuss them. Smith, wearing a dark blue suit and elephant-skin shoes, was speaking to reporters as he cast his vote in Rhodesia's all-white parliamentary elections.

Predictions here said that the ruling Rhodesian Front Party would be returned with a massive mandate.

Smith was asked to comment on the plans for peace being brought to Salisbury today by British Foreign Secretary David Owen and

American UN Ambassador Andrew Young.

In Washington, the U.S. said it is determined to make an effort to solve the Rhodesian problem, and does not believe there has been "flat rejection" at this point by any of the parties involved.

Presidential Press Secretary Jody Powell made the statement in response to a question on what the U.S. would do if the Anglo-American peace plan is rejected.

He also told reporters that the situation in Rhodesia "is growing progressively worse and threatens to become even more worse."

He said, however, that it was "not

appropriate" to comment on what the U.S. would do if the peace plan is rejected by any of the parties involved.

In Tananarive, Madagascar, it was announced that President Didier Ratsiraka has offered to mediate personally with the presidents of Ethiopia and Somalia in an effort to end fighting in the Ogaden territory. The announcement said Ratsiraka has invited Presidents Mengistu Haile Mariam of Ethiopia and Barre to come to Madagascar to negotiate "a peaceful, just and equitable settlement in an authentically African and revolutionary spirit."

Paris protests Pretoria slur

PARIS (AP). — The Foreign Ministry yesterday said it had instructed its envoy in Pretoria to complain about an unflattering description of Foreign Minister Louis de Guiringaud, made on Tuesday by South African Finance Minister Owen Horwood.

Horwood's declaration at a political meeting was "contrary to the most elementary customs," the French Foreign Ministry said.

Horwood, grousing about foreign warnings over the possibility of a South African atom bomb, at one point in his speech referred to Guiringaud as: "This new little French Foreign Minister who fled when he was confronted with a demonstration by a few blacks on his arrival in Dar Es Salaam."

This was his description of a minor diplomatic scandal that erupted two weeks ago when Tanzanian youth carrying placards criticized France for arms sales to South Africa.

After the demonstration, Guiringaud cut short an African tour and returned to Paris in a huff.

This was viewed as a setback to French efforts to expand their influence to former British colonies in Eastern Africa. French relations traditionally have been close only with former French colonies in Western Africa.

Sharply worded French warnings last week about the South African nuclear potential were believed to reflect a desire to repair the damage caused by Guiringaud's abrupt departure.

Shah ends tour of East Europe: some agreement

TEHRAN (UPI). — The Shah of Iran returned to Tehran on Tuesday following a nine-day tour of Poland and Czechoslovakia during which the staunchly anti-Communist Shah and his Soviet-bloc hosts expressed agreement in several areas.

In a joint communiqué issued simultaneously in Tehran and Prague Tuesday at the end of his five-day visit to Czechoslovakia, the Shah joined Czech leaders in condemning "reactionary forces" which wanted to "disrupt the friendly and peaceful cooperation of states with different social systems."

The Shah's tour took place shortly before he is expected to go to Washington to meet President Jimmy Carter for the first time and coincided with discontent in Iranian official circles over the country's alliance — more military than economic — with the West.

CHOICE — Filian Prime Minister Ratu Sir Kamisese Mara has been re-elected unopposed to parliament after the withdrawal of the only other candidate in his constituency, election officials said yesterday.

UK airport row may spread

Jerusalem Post Correspondent and Agencies

LONDON. — Fresh trouble loomed for air traffic over Britain yesterday with a threat of disrupted communications. Assistant air travel controllers, demanding a pay rise, were ordered to return to work or be suspended by the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA).

Their union, the Civil and Public Services' Association, responded by calling a meeting yesterday to consider intensifying the dispute. It talked of calling out some 250 teleprinter operators who pass on flight information and keep radar and radio contact with aircraft in the sky.

The work-to-rule by the assistant air traffic controllers was in its 15th day yesterday, with no end in sight to delays for thousands of travellers. A communications hitch would erode safety standards, forcing more flight cancellations, airport officials said.

The assistants, who log flight movements, want a 20 per cent in-

crease of £500 (£18,500) on annual salaries of £2,500 (£142,500). The rise had been suspended because of government wage restraints.

The state-run British Airways said it managed to keep 60 per cent of its services going on Tuesday but it had to cancel 46 flights. Some transatlantic passengers waited up to 10 hours.

El Al passengers travelling to and from Israel suffered only minor delays over the weekend. A spokesman for the company in London said. But now that the controllers have reverted to their go-slow tactics the delays are stretching to between three and five hours.

El Al is worried about passengers from Britain who have booked to go to Israel for the high holidays. The airline is fully booked for the next few weeks and, the spokesman said, "I don't know what one can do if there is an all-out strike. It's going to hit the Roah Hashana traffic very hard."

U.S. airlifts troops to Nato games

RAMSTEIN AIR FORCE BASE, West Germany (AP). — Supreme Allied Commander Gen. Alexander Haig and senior Nato officers yesterday formally welcomed 12,600 U.S. troops airlifted to Europe for the ninth annual manoeuvres.

The exercise takes place during a period of increased uncertainty in West Germany about the Carter Administration's Nato strategy.

During the ceremonies at Ramstein Air Force Base, Haig said flying in U.S. troops demonstrated American commitment to Western European defence.

"It is a strategy that visualizes forward defence," Haig said.

Reports from Washington earlier this month said the administration was considering a new strategy to fall back to the Rhine in the event of an attack and surrender about one-third of West Germany to invading Warsaw Pact forces.

In a tarmac speech Haig said that no alliance which willingly surrendered large portions of its territory could hope to maintain its vitality.

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Somali chief ends 3-day Soviet talks

NAIROBI (UPI). — President Siad Barre of Somalia has ended talks since Monday with Soviet officials in Moscow and was expected to return home late yesterday, Mogadishu radio announced.

Russia has maintained a total blackout on both Barre's arrival in the Soviet Union and the subsequent talks which were apparently aimed at trying to patch up deteriorating relations between the two countries.

The military leader arrived in the Soviet capital "to a warm reception from Soviet officials," the radio reported.

In Cairo, the newspaper "Al-Ahram" said Barre yesterday travelled from Moscow to the Chinese for talks with visiting Soviet president Leonid Brezhnev.

Western diplomatic sources in Somalia and Nairobi said Barre has undertaken the Soviet trip in an effort to contain his widening rift with the Soviets over the Ethiopian-Somali conflict. The Soviet Union has openly sided with Ethiopia.

more than 100 people died and 5,000 were arrested. A series of curfews imposed after the disturbances which included attacks on the island's Tamil minority were lifted yesterday.

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The sources said the smoke system in operation when the fire broke out could signal the presence of fire, but could not pinpoint its exact location.

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Plot alleged to kill Sri Lanka Premier

COLOMBO (Reuters). — Police have arrested a man suspected of plotting to kill Sri Lanka Prime Minister Junius Jayewardene.

The man, whom police named as Liljanage Nelson Ferreira, was remanded Tuesday night in custody until September 9 by Colombo chief magistrate R. B. Ranaraja.

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The Swiss army as a trend-setter. Recruits of the Grenadier-85 demonstrating near home that they are probably the most up-to-date army unit in the world as they ride on skateboards. (UPI)

Basques to march again

MADRID (UPI). — Basque nationalists have won Spanish Government approval to hold mass marches this weekend in the northern cities of Bilbao and San Sebastian.

However, the provincial government in San Sebastian, site of police demonstrations clashed in recent weeks, said Tuesday night that permission for the march there would be withdrawn if new street disorders erupt any time before the scheduled Saturday night.

The marches Friday in Bilbao and Saturday in San Sebastian are being

organized by militant Basque groups to the left of the traditional Basque Nationalist Party, the Socialist Workers Party and the Communist Party.

The objective of the organizers is to press for a total political amnesty, return of all exiles, legalisation for all political parties and autonomy for the Basque region.

The political forces backing the demonstrations are the same ones which drew tens of thousands of supporters on Sunday to Pamplona for a rally marking the end of a "Freedom March."

Tito finally meets Mao

PEKING (Reuters). — President Tito of Yugoslavia, once branded a traitor to Communism by China, yesterday became the first foreigner to visit the Mao Tse-tung mausoleum.

The surprise invitation to the mausoleum, which is still not officially open, underlined the extraordinary welcome the 58-year-old leader has received since arriving here on Tuesday.

Official newspapers devoted more than half their space to his visit, and when Tito began talks yesterday he faced a high-powered Chinese team headed by Chairman Hua Kuo-feng.

Mao Tse-tung's mausoleum in the Square of Heavenly Peace was completed only a few days ago. It will not be formally opened until September 9 — the first anniversary of Mao's death.

The discussions in the Great Hall of the People began with Hua telling Tito that Mao had wished to meet him. The president replied that death was merciless.

In 1958, Yugoslavia was denounced as "revisionist" by China and for years relations were so bad it had no ambassador here. Since 1970 however, bilateral ties have steadily strengthened.

U.S. diplomats set up shop in Cuba

HAVANA, Cuba (AP). — U.S. diplomats are in Cuba to set up shop for the first time since relations were broken between the two nations 18 years ago.

The arrival of Lyle Lane, 51, the career diplomat assigned by U.S. President Jimmy Carter to head the new "U.S. interest section" was low-key on Tuesday, in keeping with the

limited upgrading of Washington-Havana relations.

Lane will work in an office in the old U.S. chancery, but a Swiss flag will fly outside. Switzerland has handled U.S. concerns in Cuba since diplomatic relations were broken between the two countries in 1961.

As part of the agreement, Cuba is opening a diplomatic office under a Czech flag in Washington.

U.S. restricts Hercules flights

WASHINGTON (Reuters). — The U.S. Air Force said on Tuesday temporary restrictions had been placed on flights by its C-130 "E" Hercules cargo planes after cracks were discovered in wing support spars in several of the aircraft.

The 10 foreign countries which have purchased a total of 160 of the older "E" model C-130s, built between 1961 and 1964, have been notified of the problem, an air force spokesman said.

The air force C-130s will be limited to 10,500 kilos of cargo and will not be able to carry fuel in the wing tanks.

The aircraft will be barred from cruising below 1,000 metres and will be restricted on landings, air speed and storm flying.

The strictures will remain in force until inspections have been completed within 90 days, the spokesman said.

Israel is among the 10 nations which own C-130s. Countries will make their own arrangements for inspections and repairs. The others are: Britain, Australia, Brazil, Canada, Iran, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, Sweden and Turkey.

U.S. knew embassy was firetrap

MOSCOW (UPI). — Two inspection teams pinpointed fire hazards in the U.S. embassy here months before last week's blaze which damaged four floors of the facility, informed sources said yesterday.

The Western sources said the embassy had added new fire equipment, fire escapes and signs for evacuation routes — but had not completed the installation of new fire doors or of a more sophisticated smoke-detection system recommended by inspectors.

The sources said the smoke system in operation when the fire broke out could signal the presence of fire, but could not pinpoint its exact location.

It was believed that during the ear-

ly moments of the fire, Marines searching for the blaze started investigating the seventh floor — one floor below where it actually broke out.

The eight-hour fire started in the economics section of the embassy last Friday, wrecking the upper floors. There were no injuries.

U.S. Ambassador Malcolm Tonn said, "We think it was an electrical fault, and having seen the sad state of wiring in the main chancery, it is understandable."

The sources said Tuesday, however, that the cause of the fire was not known, but that "it is not likely it had anything to do with antiquated or insufficient wiring."

The sources said the potential fire

hazards were first pinpointed by an inspection team during a routine review of the embassy 10 months ago.

The local representative of the American Foreign Service Administration, a bargaining unit for embassy employees, has called a meeting for today to discuss "safety and working conditions" at the embassy due to the inadequate wiring.

Meanwhile, embassy sources said employees were still trying to salvage equipment and records.

Several were scrubbing down soot-covered desks and bundling charred letters and folders. The sources said it would be two or three more days before any major rebuilding could begin.

Soviet defector tells how 'schizophrenia' is stretched

LONDON (Reuters). — A defecting Soviet psychiatrist yesterday gave detailed examples of corruption of psychiatry for political purposes, which he said he had witnessed in the Soviet Union and Czechoslovakia.

Giving his first press conference in the West, Dr. Artyom Papiashvili from Georgia appealed to the World Congress of Psychiatry, now taking place in Honolulu, to condemn "the systematic abuses" he had witnessed.

Papiashvili, 30, worked in Tbilisi, Georgia, for a year and in Czechoslovakia for two years before defecting with his Czechoslovakian wife, Eva, to Austria last May.

He drew special attention yesterday to the theories of the head psychiatrist of the USSR Prof. Andrei Snezhnevsky.

"These theories expand with little justification the boundaries of schizophrenia and make possible a 'scientific' basis for diagnosing schizophrenia in mentally healthy people," he said.

Papiashvili cited three cases at the Tbilisi psychiatric research unit where he saw patients who were not mentally ill diagnosed as schizophrenics because of their

criticisms of the internal political system of the USSR.

"The diagnosis was clear fabricated and I actively oppose this decision," he said.

The doctor said that during political events, such as election visits by foreign leaders and holidays, the secret police forced patients into hospital who in voice public criticism.

Other abuses included heavy doses of neuroleptic drugs and injections, sulphazine, a drug which causes acute pain in the body.

"The aim is to intimidate these methods are used deterrents," Papiashvili said.

Papiashvili said a public condemnation from the World Congress could affect the fate of a number of Soviet citizens such as F. Serebry, Dr. Semyon Gluzman, Alexander Podrabinek, who either imprisoned or detained protesting against abuses of psychiatry.

He accused Prof. Marat V. nyan, a member of the working committee of the World Psychiatric Association, of manipulating organization out of a condemnation of Soviet methods at the Mexico congress in 1971.

Transsexual doctor meets Wade in U.S. tennis series

NEW YORK (AP). — Virginia Wade said she passed Dr. Renee Richards in the passageway at the West Side Tennis Club earlier this week and almost froze from the chill she got.

"I said, 'hello,'" Miss Wade, the reigning Wimbledon champion, said. "She just brushed right on past me, not saying a word."

Without fake press agency, the label of "hate match" is being applied to the first-round match in the U.S. Open Championships today between Miss Wade and the 49-year-old transsexual who had to get a court order to play in the tournament.

"We meet in one afternoon in the main stadium," Richards said.

"I have nothing against Dr. Richards personally. I think she has conducted herself well in this situation. I simply am not comfortable with the whole idea," the 31-year-old British woman said at a luncheon in her honour on Tuesday.

"I welcome the chance to play an important match on centre court so early in the tournament. With all the attention focused on her, she's bound to be nervous. I'm not concerned. I have had a lot of practice playing 40-year-old men."

Dr. Richards, 49, a New York ophthalmologist and ranking 35-and-over men's player before undergoing a sex change two years ago, told friends that she was ranked by a comment attributed to Miss Wade



Renee Richards, at right, and Michael Bechus, who she is reportedly planning to marry, photographed in New York on Monday.

when the U.S. Open draw was announced.

The Wimbledon titleholder reported to have snapped, "beats me, she ought to be out."

Brazilian seals kill soldier

BRASILIA (AP). — A Brazilian army sergeant died here on Tuesday of wounds he received when he was attacked by six seals at a zoo, doctors said.

Sergeant Silvio Delmar Hollembach received more than 100 bite wounds when he dived into a pool attempting to save a 13-year-old boy who had accidentally fallen in during a visit to the zoo.

Hollembach died in the armed forces hospital of an infection resulting from the wounds, said doctors.

The seals, known here as "Araxana," or "Brazilian Seals," are found in the forests of the Amazon. They resemble seals found in more temperate climates, but are able to move out of water because of four upright legs.

The animal also has a long, flat tail which resembles that of a bee. Officials at the zoo said the seal is not known to have attacked humans in the wild. They attribute the attack to the fact the animals were in captivity and recent birth of a litter of five which the animals may have in danger.

Witnesses to the attack on day said Hollembach's attempted to prevent him from falling into the pool to rescue him but he persisted and managed the youth out of the pool.

The boy, Addison Florenc Costa, was under observation hospital here and was expected released shortly.

The seals continued to Hollembach after he rescued child. Zoo attendants had to be out of the pool.

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The purchasers will be invited to an auction in the District Ct. Tel Aviv.

The sale will be subject to the confirmation by the Court.

Moshe Kehaty, advocate
Receiver "Hibnah Broth"

THE MUNICIPALITY OF KIRYAT ATA

Tender No. 94/S-4/SEP/77
THE ISRAELI SEWERAGE PROJECT

The Municipality of Kiryat Ata hereby invites contractors to submit bids for a force main along Rehov Zevulun.

Tender Documents and Forms of Tender can be obtained against payment IL500.— (non-refundable) from the office of the City Engineer.

Prospective bidders should submit their bids in two copies on the tender and in compliance with the conditions of tender.

Bids accompanied by a bank guarantee of 5% of the bid total, valid for a period of 120 days from the last date set for submission, should be mailed (registered) in the tender box, to the following address:

Israel Sewerage Project
Tender No. 94/S-4/SEP/77
Municipality of Kiryat Ata

Bids should arrive not later than October 16, 1977, at 12.00 noon. Bids arriving after the closing date and bids submitted without the required bank guarantee will not be considered.

Terms of payment: 90% in cash against an approved interim bill as specified in the tender documents.

Bids may be submitted by Contractors who have been prequalified for the Sewerage Project for works of a value of at least IL1,000,000.

Bids may be submitted by Contractors who are registered in the Contractors Register under Section: Sewerage, Drainage and Water Works, for works of a value of at least IL1,000,000.

The Tenderer must attach to his bid a copy of his registration as a Contractor in the Contractors' Register.

A site inspection tour for Contractors will be held on September 12, 1977, from the office of the City Engineer at 10.00 a.m. in Rehov Zevulun 55. The Tender Board is not bound to accept the lowest proposal or any proposal entire or parts thereof.

Z. Harari, Mayor
Municipality of Kiryat Ata

Ministry of Transport and Communications

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The Ministry of Communications announces

Change of 500 Holon telephone numbers beginning with the numbers 84 and 85

The change, part of the development of the regional telephone network, will take place in two stages — the first on Monday, September 5, 1977 and the second on Monday, September 19, 1977.

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THE FIFTH PAGE

THIRD WORLDERS attending courses in Israel like to tell reporters that despite international politics and severed diplomatic relations, their countrymen still love, admire, and respect Israel.

It would be difficult to accept their statements at face value if it weren't for the several hundred completely unsolicited fan letters received each year by "Shalom," a biannual magazine published by the Israel Association for International Cooperation. The magazine is specifically geared to the alumni of such institutions as the Mt. Carmel Training Centre, the Ruppia Agricultural School, and Tel Aviv's Afro-Asian Institute.

Typical of the letters "Shalom's" American-born editor, Lois Bar-Ya'acov receives is this note from Gideon Komia Shpodeo of Ghana's Agricultural College at Oshawa, Ontario:

"With pleasure I write to acknowledge the receipt of your Shalom Magazine. This said magazine was read with keen interest not by me alone, but by other friends in the college."

"I was a participant of the 11th International Course held in Israel in 1970, on Extension Methods and Fertilizer Use."

"Any time I have a letter or a parcel from an Israeli friend I feel as if I am in Israel. I like your country so much, because of the hard work and achievements in the field of agriculture..."

"Hoping to come back to Israel some time soon."

Or this one, from Maria Macalaha-Reyes of Manila, Philippines:

"Israel is so far, yet so near with your magazine. Thank you so much for my continuing education. I learned so much from it. I felt I was there again viewing Haifa Bay, the Bahai Temple, Israel's agriculture, the Kinneret Valley, the Kinneret watershed was not yet in existence when I attended a community development course for women in 1962) and the youth centres...Wish I could attend another course and learn more of your progressive agriculture, your kindergarten methods, your cooperatives, and most importantly to imbibe myself of your people's strong nationalism and patriotism."

PRINTED PEACE

By JOAN BOBSTEIN / Jerusalem Post Reporter



A young woman (left) from Swaziland holds jewelry made by Kfar Hittim Crafts Centre. At right, a craft worker from Kenya. Both study on Mt. Carmel. (Judah Passow)

TWO ISSUES AGO, as Shalom was about to go to press, Lois realized to her horror that the penultimate page was completely blank. More out of desperation than inspiration, she filled it up with an advertisement offering her readers — 40,000 alumni in 103 countries, in addition to various church groups and women's organizations in Europe and the U.S. — "free gift subscriptions" (to an already free publication). "Give your friends and colleagues 'Shalom' as a present," she urged.

The response was overwhelming.

One of the first applications came from Bangladesh — a country that has never sent anyone to an Israeli training course — and began: "At first you will take my cordial love. I am a doctor of Bangladesh. I have a great desire to read your magazine."

There were also applications from Argentina, Honduras (from the secretary-general of the Confederation of Honduran Workers), Sri Lanka and Mauritius.

A teacher who already uses

"Shalom" as reference material in one class asked for additional copies for her other pupils; an archbishop wanted a subscription, as did a resident of Poona, India, whose letterhead stated: "completed third international course in soil fertility and fertilizer use in Israel, 1965."

By far the greatest number of requests came from Africans, mostly from Moslems. Many of them "prayed" that "Africa will one day resume relations with Israel."

"WHOEVER would have thought

that so many people want to read what is basically an information journal about Israel?" asks Lois Bar-Ya'acov. "I suppose the type of articles we publish are actually interesting to Third Worlders, which means we're on the right track."

Each issue of "Shalom" deals with a different subject.

The spring 1976 edition, which brought in the first flood of applications, was devoted to trade unions. An American professor, in Israel for a Histadrut seminar, describes how to train women to become active union members. An Ivory Coast union leader, attending a course in Tel Aviv, examines the contributions unions are making to economic progress in his country. There is also a portrait of an Israeli who is the head of his local labour council; an interview with the cook at Mahteshim Chemical Works; and a regular feature, called "New Ideas," which describes interesting inventions by Israelis (how to get oil from algae, how to keep chicks cozy and cut costs, how to make science kits for children).

"Shalom's" current issue tackles the desert. The next issue will concentrate on cooperation and social work.

How does Bar-Ya'acov choose her themes? She concentrated on labour, she says, because the Histadrut was willing to send an additional 7000 copies of the magazine to its contacts abroad. An issue on special education resulted from a National Council of Jewish Women commitment to distribute an extra 10,000 copies to its members, to American universities, and to groups specializing in special education. The desert issue appeared just in time to be distributed at the UN conference in Nairobi being attended by 3,000 world experts.

The magazine is collated and addressed by a "work cooperative" made up of teenagers living at Alon Hospital. It is published in English and Spanish, but will soon appear in French, too.

"The idea of *hasbara*," says Lois, is to get information about Israel into the hands of people who will read it. One of the problems we've always had with our campaigns is that while you can lead a horse to water, you can't make him drink. Apparently, "Shalom" is good enough to swallow.

Designed for living and for the elderly

By JUDY SIEGEL, Jerusalem Post Reporter

RENTABLE guest rooms for visiting relatives, non-glare lighting, and doors and elevators accessible by wheelchairs are going into one of the world's first "honor-made" apartment complexes for the elderly, to be built in Jerusalem.

The project will include the facilities that the elderly want and those they need, but never thought about before, according to Dr. Robert Bechtel, a leading environmental psychologist and consultant to Building Technology, Inc. The Washington-based firm is preparing a "design programme" for the architect, based on intensive research and interviews with the prospective tenants.

The powerhouse behind the pioneer project is Celia Margolin, 76, who for years has been calling for housing suited to the elderly. Helping her are volunteers and Marc Flamm, a young research architect in the firm.

So far, about 70 couples or singles, aged 61 to 85, have put down a \$2,500 deposit for some of the 150 cooperative flats to be constructed. By the time they move in, they will have paid more — about 30 or 40 per cent of the actual cost of the flat and communal facilities. The rest of the bill will be met by Eshel, a fund of the Joint Distribution Committee.

"But the tenants will not own the flats," notes Mrs. Margolin, who intends to move out of her cozy Rehavia apartment and into the project when it is completed in less than two years. "The money they pay entitles them to live there."

"No speculation will be allowed," adds Flamm. "If you leave, you get the money back, or if you die, it goes to your heirs. The flats cannot be sold for a profit, and you must live in them." Couples in their fifties who signed up reserve their right to occupy apartments when they are ready, to move in.

For this particular building — to

rise in Rehov Henrietta Savid in the Kiryat Hayovel quarter — the architects were convinced to reduce their fees, since Building Technology, Inc. is doing work that they would have had to do (as well as some they never dreamed of).

The planning team visited many Jerusalem public buildings and old-age homes to learn from existing mistakes. Nearly all were found to be hostile environments for the elderly. "In the Prime Minister's Office, persons emerging from the elevator on each floor encounter broad picture windows and shiny marble floors," recalls Mrs. Margolin. The elderly often find it very difficult to adjust their eyes from glare to darker, more subdued light.

In old age homes, they discovered elevators that prevent a wheelchair from turning around inside and dining rooms fitted with a few steps "for no reason."

The Jerusalem project will have low handrails with recessed lighting, sound-absorbing carpets and easily accessible communal facilities like a kitchen, dining room, synagogue and a lounge for activities ranging from physical therapy to lectures.

"The elderly love to have their children and grandchildren visit, but they haven't the room or the strength to put them up or feed them," says Flamm. The planners will design guest rooms within the complex that relatives could rent as if they were in a hotel but for a lower price.

Although architects prefer that rooms be sized uniformly, the flats will vary in size to suit the tenants. "The people who have joined have different needs. There are many rabbis, authors and professionals who will remain active and need study space," Mrs. Margolin points out. The apartments will be unfurnished so residents can bring along the personal possessions collected through the years. Although many are immigrants from the U.S. and Canada, registration is open to anyone of the proper age.

A IL35m. bailing operation for Haifa's Labour Council

VIEW FROM THE NORTH / Ya'acov Ardou

"ENGLAND expects every man will do his duty," ran Nelson's famous signal as his fleet lined up to engage the French off Trafalgar in 1805. If the men who run Haifa Municipality had the same kind of moral commitment and flamboyance, they would say: "We in Haifa expect that every Israel taxpayer will help us bail out our Labour Council."

That — nothing less — is what its decision to buy the Labour Council's Kiryat Haifa sports stadium, plus 100 dunams of surrounding land, at a cost of over IL35m., amounts to. Even in our days of fast-trotting inflation, accelerated by the money-printing presses of the previous government, IL35m. is still a lot of money. Taxpayers' money.

The public is entitled to know the facts behind the decision to buy a second sports stadium at a time when men who should be wise city fathers preach economy and decide to practice waste.

For over 15 years Haifa has had a fine stadium in its western district, at Kiryat Eliezer. It serves as the venue for the big and popular soccer matches, and is the home ground of the Maccabi club. Matches there have drawn crowds of up to 18,000. The stadium has also been used for athletics and a variety of other public events, such as folklore festivals and some Independence Day festivities.

In recent years, however, the maintenance of the stadium has left much to be desired, according to athletes using it. The race tracks, for instance, are in disrepair. This year's Maccabiah events could not be held there. If IL250,000 were spent on it, the Kiryat Eliezer stadium could be spruced up to be one of the finest in the country.

It is relevant to the issue that Haifa is not very rich in sports facilities for the public. It has an excellent, well-kept municipal beach, as popular as the adjoining, privately-owned Carmel Beach. But there are several schools, some with as many as 600 pupils, which still don't have a gymnastics hall. The parents have protested against this anomaly, but the municipality says that providing such a facility is the duty of the Education Ministry and that it has no funds of its own to spare.

Meanwhile the pupils at these schools have to make do with exercising in their empty courtyards. The Education Ministry has now ruled that every new school must also have a gymnasium; but the ruling does not apply to existing schools.

Moreover, Haifa has few sports facilities of the kind dreamed by a city aspiring to develop into a tourist center. For instance, there is only one public tennis court — the foot of Mt. Carmel not far from the Carmel Beach esplanade — and this is soon to be scrapped, although it built at considerable cost, in order to make room for an exhibition centre.

It is true that a sports palace was completed last year after a long delay, near Romema, at a cost of IL25m. This facility will serve the indoor needs of clubs, who will play basketball there. But it is of no use to the tourists or the public at large. Can it serve as a substitute for the missing gymnasiums in the schools?

Insider in Haifa knows that the decision to buy stadium was not inspired by the needs of the "red public," but by the financial woes of the city Council. From the early 1950s until well into the '60s, the council borrowed money right and left (from Bank Hapoalim), so that it could develop, run and maintain cultural, social centres throughout the greater Haifa area. Council leaders regarded it as their public duty to provide such facilities wherever the need for them met by either the government or the city. One of their ambitious projects was a sports stadium in the Kiryat Haifa area, to serve the population, and they built it with the aid of the municipality and the Histadrut Ex-

ecutive in 1952.

Labour council leaders anywhere in Israel are not likely to be either trained economists or bankers. The problems of financing projects like those to which the Haifa Labour Council applied themselves with zeal hardly bothered them. They only began to worry when the once-manageable debt, much of it linked to the stadium, began to rise like a cork, driving up interest payments due for payment on capital and interest accounts. The chief creditor, Bank Hapoalim, probably showed understanding and patience with a hard-pressed, public and non-commercial client.

Yet time only aggravated the situation as inflation galloped along. The unfortunate Haifa Labour Council secretary, Eliezer Molk, came in for much public criticism as the total debt kept climbing towards a spectacular IL100m., though it is hard to see why he personally should be blamed more than the men at the Histadrut Executive and their financial advisers who tacitly or actively encouraged the project.

IT APPEARS that early this year the Histadrut saw no alternative but to send a distress signal to Yehoshua Rabinowitz, who was then finance minister, asking for help. It is understood that he promised help in the form of a low-interest, long-term loan — financed by a few more turns of the hard-worked printing press — to the only friendly body in Haifa, the municipality, to which the largest and most valuable of the Labour Council's assets, the Kiryat Haifa stadium, could be sold.

The Municipal Executive, manned like the Labour Council by a Labour Party majority, not only agreed but also found a justification for the proposed loan: alleviating the suffering of the Kiryat Eliezer residents whose rest and comfort is shattered whenever there's a football match.

It is strange, however, that never in the past was the suffering in Kiryat Eliezer mentioned in council debates. Never was the need for an alternative stadium debated. Never was the government raised. And never did the Labour Council argue that its stadium, home base of Hapoel, should be taken over by the city.

It is clear that, for appearances' sake, the government could not be asked to give a loan to the Labour Council, the Histadrut Executive or Bank Hapoalim. The intercession of a "neutral" body, the local authority, was needed to provide a respectable cloak for the transaction.

Unfortunately for the Labour Council and its friends in City Hall, a bait fell into this well-cooked soup: the May 27 elections. The new finance minister, who must approve the loan, does not belong to the party that controls the Haifa Labour Council and municipality.

Also, the Interior Minister, as the final arbiter of all actions taken by local authorities, will have to approve the purchase and recommend it to the finance minister. In addition, the minister of education and culture (who is also in charge of the nation's sports), may have something to say about the feasibility of a government loan for a second stadium in a city that lacks sports facilities in some of its schools.

But that the Haifa City Executive, in these circumstances, should have approved the stadium's purchase, and an application for a IL35m. loan from the government, shows that the administrative climate in which we have lived for 25 years is not changing.

The Haifa electorate is waiting to see how the new government in Jerusalem reacts to Haifa Municipality's application for the loan, if the council approves the executive's decision. The Likud, religious and Independent Liberal factions in the council have already objected to it. The wall-to-wall coalition between the Labour faction (which has an absolute majority) and the Likud, is on the point of breaking up. It is difficult to explain why the Labour Party in Haifa acts today as if it were past caring whether or not it is re-elected next year.

CINEMA / Domini Keeble

THE EAGLE HAS LANDED (general release). Starring Michael Caine, Robert Duvall, Donald Sutherland, Jenny Agutter. Directed by John Sturges.

IN 1943, wearing German uniforms under their Free Polish Army battledress, a 16-man team of paratroopers was parachuted into England to kidnap Winston Churchill.

This well-constructed and serious rendering of Jack Higgins' best-selling novel poses the question: was there in fact such a plot? It is a story of suicidal courage and national pride, with glimpses of humanitarian behaviour in the face of war. It is also a long shot from the familiar style British war films with Nazis stereotyped as the dregs of bestiality or, at best, a controlled menace.

Michael Caine, remarkable for his terse manner of speech and supercilious expression, fascinates and convinces as the resourceful, ruthless, English educated Steiner and has some excellent lines.

Robert Duvall, as one-eyed, one-armed Radl, efficiently carrying out orders and unquestioningly facing death for treason, is immensely interesting. And Donald Sutherland is excellent as the revolutionary Irishman sent ahead to prepare the German landing. He falls in love with an impressionable English girl, Jenny Agutter, who does well with a limited palette.

Director John Sturges has handled this sensitive operation with perception and meticulousness, catching the atmosphere of the German-controlled Channel Islands, the isolation of the Norfolk coast, the quiet English village, the aura of protection around Churchill...All wending towards the dark, misty, not quite believable climax, which is amazing for its audacity — the sense of drama played out — rather than for any outstanding technical surprises.

Aside from the American Rangers, portrayed as an inefficient, unattractive bunch, with a commander only out to prove himself, and one or two lapses of bad acting, Sturges maintains an undeniable sense of honour throughout, and a tension that is spasmodic and subtle, rather than continuously gripping. One facet of the film should perhaps not pass without comment. Accustomed as we are to battle-worn Europe, there is, for a Britisher anyway, something unthinkable, even blasphemous, about Germans and Americans fighting to the death in a sleepy English village.

THE SPY WHO LOVED ME (General release). Directed by Lewis Gilbert. Starring Roger Moore, Barbara Bach, Curt Jurgens.

THIS film's credits come with one of the most sensational ski flights the eye is ever likely to behold. James Bond, of course! Nor will the rest disappoint if you came to see just how ingenious the creators, designers and engineers of a Bond (Roger Moore) movie can be.

A nasty multi-millionaire shipping magnet-cum-marine biologist named Stromberg (Curt Jurgens) has incased himself in a huge spider-like contraption, mid-Atlantic, determined to blow up a decadent world and start afresh under the ocean. To this end, he acquired plans of U.S. and Soviet nuclear-submarine tracking systems, and devised a vast "oil tanker" which silently gobbles up its submarine prey.

Contrary to earlier films, Bond finds himself in legitimate partnership with a beautiful Russian spy, Anya (Barbara Bach). His mission takes him far and wide, from the illuminated Sphinx to the island of Sardinia, leisurely scrapping through the usual hair-raising escapades, whose tricks are so perfected and extravagant as to warrant a film in their own right. It seems a shame that the primary element: the adventures of a top secret agent, and the thrill of anxiety over his ultimate victory. Lost, too, is the punctuation of breathtakingly sensual women.

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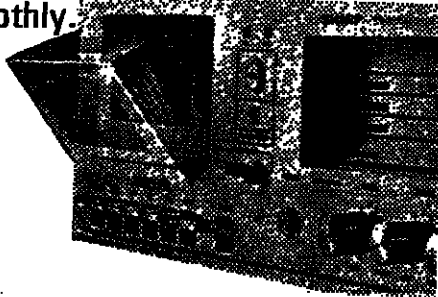
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FEATURES

VISITOR'S GALLERY: Seattle Mayor Wes Uhlman

Taking Beersheba as a sister

BEERSHEBA — When Seattle Mayor Wes Uhlman was in Israel last fall with a group of American mayors, he was asked if his city would like to sign a twin-cities agreement with a local counterpart. Uhlman agreed and when he returned to the States, the Israeli consul-general in San Francisco called on him to suggest two possible sister cities — one an established town in the North, the other Beersheba.

"For us the choice was clear. Seattle is a city of pioneers — people who have settled there from all over the U.S. Less than 20 per cent of the population were born there. We consider it to be a city of opportunity. I think in many ways Seattle parallels Beersheba," Uhlman says. He conceded that there are many differences, also. Seattle is very green and one of the wettest cities in America — two characteristics that Beershebans might gladly share.

Seattle already has twinning agreements with cities in Japan, Norway and elsewhere. Why another

one with Beersheba?

"Seattle gains much from these agreements," Mayor Uhlman said. "We think that it's very important that Americans have a better understanding of what life is like here in Israel. Most Americans think in macrodimensions, for example, and don't realize how short the distances are here."

Uhlman hopes that the agreement will be fulfilled by exchanges of high school and university students, as well as a faculty members of local universities. Local art and music will be exchanged, and correspondence will be set up between different classes in the two cities. For a start, the artist who designed Beersheba's Falah memorial, Dani Casavan, has been commissioned for a work in Seattle.

One of the gifts that the 30-member Seattle delegation brought to Beersheba this week is a collection of books about their city for the Ben-Gurion University Library. "When I sent two Seattle residents recently to

make arrangements for our visit, they went to the library and couldn't find a single book about our city. We decided we would have to do something about that," the mayor said.

On Tuesday evening, all of the group members were invited to local homes for dinner. Uhlman was on his way to the home of Mayor Eliahu Navi with a choice bottle of Washington State wine. "I've challenged the mayor to a wine-tasting contest. He said that Israeli wines are pretty good also."

The Seattle mayor claims to have enjoyed the most comprehensive tour of Beersheba any group has ever had. They have been through every corner of the city from Sunday through Thursday, while the average foreign tourist doesn't spend more than a few hours here. He feels, though, that the time has been well-spent and looks forward to hosting a Beersheba delegation soon in his city.

ZVI ARENSTEIN



Mayor Wes Uhlman signing the twinning agreement with Beersheba. (Yehuda Zand)

STRETCHING INTO SHAPE

FIGURE IT OUT / Judie Oron

IN THE LAST exercise column, part 1 of a three-part exercise routine was given. All of the exercises involve the element of stretching, which makes them highly appropriate for morning work-out. Those of you who can't face any strenuous activity before noon will find this series an effective and pleasurable "upper" at any time of the day or night. However, those who have difficulty sleeping should not try this routine an hour or two before bedtime — it's too invigorating.

1. (Note: This exercise should be no. 5 of the series) Standing with your feet slightly apart, arms above your head, raise up onto your toes. TRETCH your right hand straight over your head, raise your left foot off the floor slightly, thrust your left hip out to the left side, and stretch

your right side hard. Relax and repeat on the left side, then alternate sides, "walking" in place as it were. If you find yourself losing your balance, try "walking" on flat feet, rather than on your toes, until your sense of balance improves.

2. Still standing with your feet slightly apart, clasp your hands behind your back. Bend forward and downward from the waist, bringing your clasped hands upward behind your back. Bounce downward three times, keeping your knees slightly bent, then bounce downward three times, raising your clasped hands behind you. Bounce upward and

cross your left foot over your right, bounce downward three times, and repeat the entire exercise several times.

3. Stand with your feet about 60 cm. apart. Turn your body slightly toward the left side, bend your right leg, and keep your left leg straight. Clasp your hands behind you, bend forward from the waist toward your left knee and raise your clasped arms behind you. Bounce downward three times, go back to starting position and change sides. Repeat, alternating sides, several times.

4. Go onto all fours, then straighten your left leg out behind you, toes touching the floor behind you. Kick

your left leg three times toward your left ear, bending your head in the direction of your left leg, and STRETCHING the right side of your body. Now bring your left leg as far to the right of your body and forward as you can, leaning forward onto your elbows at the same time. Continue stretching your leg to the right and forward, and bend your forehead down to touch the floor between your elbows and hands. Hold the position for a count of 10, then raise up onto all fours as in the beginning of the exercise, and repeat on the other side. Everyone ought to try this last exercise at least once: the overall feeling is well worth getting down on your hands and knees for.

Don't forget to keep this column along with parts one and three.

Fight against unfeminist Egypt

By ADAM ZAGORIN

CAIRO (UPI) — While the stereotype of a veiled woman at the mercy of her polygamous husband is no longer valid, legal equality of the sexes is not a reality in Egypt. The divorce rate, for example, is about half that of the U.S. and the non-Catholic countries in Western Europe, and it's easy to understand why according to Ms. Soha Abdel Kader, author of a 1973 Ford Foundation study on the status of women in Egypt.

"We (Moslem women) are legally restricted in initiating divorce, so of course figures are low. We also have inferior rights to men in child custody and inheritance cases," she said.

Like most Moslem countries, Egypt is governed by personal status laws that have barely changed since the seventh century C.E., when the prophet Muhammad preached Islam to the world.

Universal education and contact with Communist and Western models have improved the climate for feminists, but attempts to change the religion-based personal status laws have failed repeatedly.

Part of the problem is that powerful figures in the Moslem hierarchy view any change in the code as potential heresy.

Furthermore, because Egypt receives billions of dollars in aid from religiously conservative Moslem oil states like Saudi Arabia, there is at least moral pressure from outside to maintain the ancient laws.

The last unsuccessful attempt to change the law was in 1974, when feminist groups focused on abolishing polygamy, which is still legal though little practiced. They also tried to alter the divorce statutes and push legislation giving women custody of their children.

Ms. Laila Takla, chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the

People's Assembly (parliament) and one of the leading proponents of women's rights in Egypt, advocates a four-point political strategy to ensure that future attempts to change the law do not fail. The steps include persuading conservative religious leaders to support women's interpretation of the shari'a (Moslem law) and enlisting the mass media to publicize cases where the current personal status code leads to family problems.

Ms. Takla also believes that current statutes may contravene the shari'a and should therefore be challenged as unconstitutional.

"The law needs to conform more closely to the shari'a, because as it is now, you often have broken homes, runaway children and suffering women. This was never intended," she said.

She also challenges her male colleagues in parliament to "stop thinking of themselves as husbands losing rights. They must identify themselves with a daughter or sister who is being treated unfairly."

If a marriage sour, husbands get a divorce after repeating the phrase "I divorce you" three times in front of witnesses. No court appearance is required.

But if the wife wants out, she must go to court with a "legitimate" reason, meaning she must be able to prove impotence, non-support or ill-treatment at the hands of her husband.

If such is lacking and her male does not consent to divorce, the woman is legally required to live with her husband and must be "obedient" to him.

Wives can obtain divorce without litigation, if they choose to retain the right in the marriage contract with the husband's consent. Few do so, however, because planning for a

possible breakup is considered an inappropriate beginning to married life.

In child custody cases, the mother cares for her children up to the age of seven for boys and nine for girls. This limit may be extended by the court, but once it is passed, the husband becomes sole guardian.

Even without legal barriers, most women would still face discrimination.

Ms. Zeinab Zaki, the major stockholder in an Egyptian computer firm, is one example. There are no restrictions on women in business, but as Ms. Zaki put it, "I knew I would never be successful without a man around, just for appearances' sake."

"So began Ms. Zaki's 'double life,' in which she hired a 'front man' to sit in the largest office, while she occupied a small one in the rear of her headquarters."

"I gave him shares, I gave him prestige, and the employees had the impression they were working for an important man and a firm they could trust," she said.

Ms. Zaki's husband, a devout Moslem, never opposed her working.

"He made only one condition for me — that I shouldn't neglect any of my housewife duties, because I was too busy working. For me, this was the challenge," she said.

There is no question that some of the legal restrictions on women have a firm Koranic basis and embody part of the religious ideal to which many Egyptians aspire.

A selection from the Koran, translated by Muhammad Zafrulla Khan, former head of the International Court of Justice, reads in part: "Men have authority over women because Allah has made one superior to the other, and because they (men) spend their wealth to maintain them. Good women are obedient."

An unorthodox clinic

By HAIM SHAPIRO
Jerusalem Post Reporter

LOOKS like an ordinary doctor's waiting room, except that instead of magazines, there are volumes of maza for the patients to read. This and a barrier separating the waiting men from the women and children are two unique features of a Refael clinic, near Jerusalem's Shearim quarter. Also unique is a baby-sitting service so that the men, most of whom have many children, can free themselves to see a doctor.

Avraham Cohen, assistant director of the clinic, explained that it was set up five years ago after a study showed that many ultra-Orthodox families in the area never received medical care. The spacious building was provided by a girls' school, which had moved to larger quarters. The first departments in the clinic are paediatrics and gynaecology, and of the women were afraid to go to a male, non-religious ecologist and instead would get e from neighbours or relatives, said.

clinic's female gynaecologist twice a week from Netanya. Patients feel comfortable with

her and sure that none of the treatment will be in opposition to religious law.

Most of the clinic's doctors serve on a few hours a week, either as volunteers or for nominal payment. Although the patients are mostly Orthodox, this is not a criterion for acceptance, Cohen said. Those in need do not pay for clinic visits; those who can afford it pay fees of IL20 to IL30.

There is a problem with prescriptions. Cohen said the clinic had arranged for some private pharmacies to give reductions, but there are still patients who, when they hear the price, decide to do without medication. Thus, the clinic plans to add on a pharmacy, he said.

There already is a lab, which runs most of the tests needed by patients. It is presided over by a cheerful woman doctor, a new immigrant from Riga.

In honour of its fifth anniversary, the clinic last week held a garden party for women who were asked to contribute funds and services. Of prime importance, Cohen noted, are more baby-sitters, to make sure that women are able to come for treatment.

In addition to local supporters, the clinic has friends in the U.S., Western Europe and South Africa.

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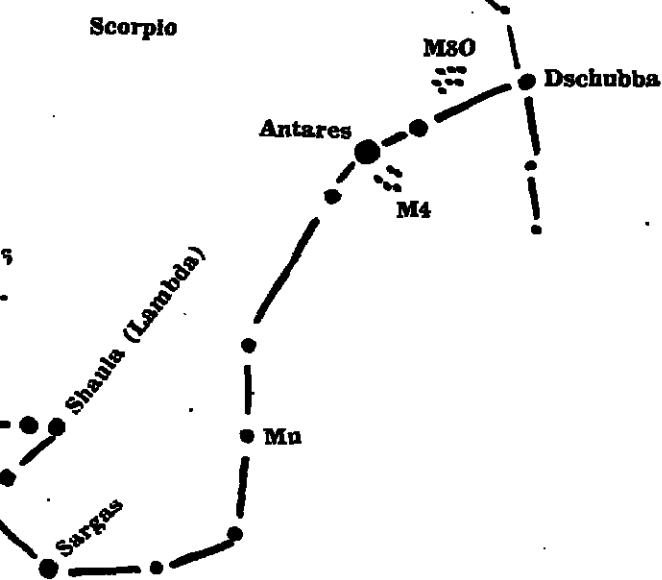
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which we discussed last month in Cygnus.

Mu Scorpio is a double star you can see with the unaided eye. Lambda Scorpio is a brilliant white star, three to five times as hot as our sun. Just northeast are star clusters M6 and M7.

The constellation Sagittarius is just to the east of Scorpio, with his arrow pointed at the heart. Antares. You will need your guide book and star maps for this; you are on your own.

In mythology, Scorpio was commanded off of the earth by Juno. Angered at Orion's conceit she ordered the scorpion to sting him, causing the Mighty Hunter's death. Such arch enemies were placed in the sky to be seen before dawn.

(We rarely see Mercury so take advantage of this good year.) At the end of September, Jupiter and Mars may be seen in Gemini, high in the south at dawn, while lower in the southeast, one may see Venus and Saturn in Leo.

On Saturday, August 20, at 3:30 a.m., I was out scanning the eastern sky over the Kinneret in the area near Taurus. Suddenly appearing in my binoculars was a slowly moving light, passing between Mars and Jupiter, from south to north. It was neither a new star nor a comet, but a man-made satellite. Maybe you will be so lucky! Next month we moon-watch.

NESS & FINANCE

Insurance companies in rental housing

JOSEPH MORGENSTERN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

IV. — The dual problem of insurance companies in rental housing is not only a problem of supply and demand, but also a problem of rental housing will not be by the country's insurance companies.

Beginning of the month the Insurance Companies Association indicates its willingness to acquire rental housing constructed by the government-owned companies. On the basis of a report prepared for the Insurance Companies Association, it appears that such a move falls far short of the investment return figure of 10 per cent.

Companies have set a return of seven per cent linked to the return on any investment in real estate. Current market conditions indicate that the average

return on rental housing is only about four per cent, based on the actual price of the apartment. Furthermore, people renting apartments will not agree to more than a maximum of a 75 per cent increase in the cost-of-living index.

Should the insurance companies be allowed to purchase apartments at even one-half of the actual cost, at current market conditions, the return would still be only about four per cent.

The Government has called for apartments to be made available for rental for a period of 12 years, while the insurance companies have asked for a seven-year limit. Even if one takes into consideration a large capital gain when the apartment is eventually sold, the return will not make up for the low yield anticipated during the rental period.

In view of the above discrepancies the insurance companies, at least for the time being, have dropped all further consideration of the purchase-to-rent scheme.

Insurance companies to lose money on investment and to have to boot

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IV. — Israel is probably the only country in the world where you can lose money on insurance.

As stated Monday by Kanner, of Mafdan (the son of Reuven Kanner, who called a press conference to explain the problems facing insurance companies), used as an example an investor who invested in a business, paying \$300,000. Today, he would get, at best, only \$280,000. But value in Israeli pounds is not the equivalent of the dollar. It is a tremendous loss to the investor who has to pay a "land tax" on the "profit" value of the property.

As a result, he noted, kept investors from buying a "share" in Israel. For if they do sell it, they would lose money. Once on the actual value of the property in dollars, the value of the property has fallen.

At present, Mafdan has about 200 members, or 80 per cent of the serious real estate brokers in the country. There were many "non-serious" brokers, however, who dabbling in the business, the meeting was told.

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Market takes a breather

Jerusalem Stock Market was yesterday.

Investors to suspend all trading in the market this week to give a chance to catch up on their paper work.

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e Recovery

ARK (AP). — The stock market showed a slight recovery yesterday, ending with a 0.15 point gain to 22.83.

Brokers said the market was depressed by several developments. On Tuesday the Commerce Department reported the third consecutive monthly decline in the index of U.S. leading economic indicators and a drop in factory orders. On Monday the Federal Reserve system raised its discount rate — the interest rate it charges on loans to its member commercial banks.

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Soviet press raps delays in work on Olympic village

MOSCOW (AP). — The Soviet press complained Tuesday about delays in building projects for the 1980 Moscow Olympics, reporting an "irregular rhythm" in construction of the Olympic village, which houses 12,000 athletes.

The Moscow evening newspaper "Vechernyaya Moskva" said the village, the largest of Moscow's Olympic construction projects, was suffering mainly from delays in supplying concrete, pre-formed concrete pieces and other building materials.

The report said work on the village's polytechnic, cultural centre and restaurant had almost stopped because of material shortage.

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Mechanical harvester results in less sour grapes



GRAPE COMBINE at work in the vineyards of Kibbutz Sha'alavim, near the Jerusalem-Tel Aviv road.

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

RAMLE. — The wine grape growers are in the process of mechanizing their harvesting method. Asaril Hama, of the mechanization division in the Ministry of Agriculture

told a press tour this week. He was speaking at a field day held in the vineyard of kibbutz Sha'alavim, at which a Chisholm-Ryder grapevine harvester, made in the U.S., was demonstrated to growers and to newsmen.

Kibbutz industries to produce over IL4b. this year

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Kibbutz industry production during the 1975/76 Hebrew calendar year increased ten per cent over the previous year, rising from IL3.2b. to IL4.5b. This year the figure is expected to reach IL4.2b. Arie Banai, secretary of the Kibbutz Industries Association, told a press conference here yesterday.

Banai added that production had risen mainly in plastics, rubber,

metal, electricity and electronics. Despite the greater production there has been only a very slight increase in the manpower used from 11,000 to 11,200, he said. Today 61 per cent of the workers are kibbutz members, compared to 50 per cent five years ago. Today a new industry is set up only if the kibbutz has enough internal manpower to run it.

The progress roundup of the kibbutz industries was given towards the Association's general meeting at Kibbutz Shifayim on the 19th of this month.

EMPLOYMENT NOTES

The World Bank has granted a four-year, \$5m. loan to Israel for the purpose of developing its industrial training and retraining services, to keep them up-to-date with technological progress. The money will be used to establish three schools for practical engineers and four vocational training centres.

The employment situation in Arad is "stable," according to the Employment Service. It says the local labour exchange in the 13,000-population town still cannot fill an average of 100 worker orders per month, because of a "lack of suitable workers." Arad's industries — the nearby Dead Sea Works and surrounding chemical and mineral industries — require metalworkers, chemists, instrumentation engineers, electricians, hotel workers, chefs and waiters.

Jerusalem is the Israel city with the best record of labour-management relations, according to Nissan Eliazar, secretary of the Capital's labour council. He said he will soon appoint a committee of experts from the Hebrew University and the Productivity Institute, to make a study of the feasibility of instituting a five-day work week in Jerusalem's places of employment.

Approximately 10,000 workers were laid off their jobs during 1976, either because of production cutbacks or plant closures. While many older workers went on pension, almost all the rest were placed in other jobs. Among last year's major layoffs were: Timna Mines, 665 workers; Friedman Brothers of Jerusalem, 106; Dimona Fibres, 440; Shal-Or of Kiryat Gat, 400; Makorot, 300; Foxchester of Ashdod, 215; and Tadiran of Ekron, 100.

Antiques snapped up

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A Chinese porcelain vase and a Louis XVI clock of rose-tinted marble were auctioned off by Betty Dubiner, chairman of Ilan, for IL10,000, when Alanique opened its doors for business on Rehov Dizengoff Saturday night.

The money went to Ilan to mark the opening of the 19th century furniture gallery — co-owners Roger Hasson and Claude Grundman announced. Other antiques netted IL70,000 that night.

"We didn't expect the pieces to go so fast, but it is obvious there are connoisseurs who recognized the pieces from the window display and came in to buy," Mrs. Grundman said. Her sentiment was confirmed by Hasson, a well-known antique dealer with shops in Paris and New York.

Vocational schools to teach hotelcraft

Students at six vocational high schools throughout the country will be able to study hotelcraft this year, according to a special agreement between the schools and various hotels.

This was announced yesterday at a ceremony in which 22 students graduated from a waiters course at the Tadmor Hotel Training School in Jerusalem. It was also announced that another 24 high schools will join the programme in the future.

Inventive immigrants to receive help

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Government and the Jewish Agency are about to set up a company designed to develop inventions and patents of new olim, according to a decision taken yesterday by Industry Minister Yigael Yizraeli and Agency Treasurer Aryeh Dulzin.

The new company will assist new immigrants to register and sell their patents. A committee headed by the Industry Ministry's chief scientist, Prof. Aryeh Lavie, is to work out the operational guidelines of the new company.

The will to work: going, going, gone?

By AARON SITTNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Call it the Protestant work ethic, or call it "the non-economic motivation to keep occupied and get things done." Whatever you call it, that state of mind is becoming rare in Israel.

If you disagree, you are at odds with Yedidya Aharonson, a man whom thousands of Israelis consider their top authority on local work attitudes.

When The Jerusalem Post dropped by to chat with Aharonson recently, the lively-eyed chief inspector at the Labour Ministry was hunched over a pile of file folders. "I'm checking out," he explained. "I'm about to punch the time clock after 34 years. I started working as a labour inspector, under the British. Now, on August 31, 1977, I shall retire — if that's what you can call it."

Today — at 65 — Yedidya Aharonson embarks on a new career — private consultant to industry on work regulations and occupational safety.

A nephew of the noted Aaron and Sara Aharonson of "Nili" fame, Yedidya tries to be as mellow as possible when appraising the current Israeli view of work.

"I think the demands of the civil servants are a clue to our problem as a whole," he says. "We used to sing the praises of avoda ivrit — Jewish manual labour, like tilling the land and watering the fields. Now we have the Jewish tractors to do the Jewish work, not to speak of the hired Arab labour."

"But, look right at the Civil Service! We thought that with the creation of our own state the avoda ivrit



Yedidya Aharonson

spirit would carry over to the government service as well. Today, we see that things are not that way. Instead of working to get things done, too many civil servants are busy figuring out overtime pay schemes and other devices to get more money. What a disappointment!"

Another source of regret for Aharonson is the ban on Saturday work — though, as chief labour inspector, he faithfully enforced the so-called "Sabbath Law," bringing violators to court.

While against compelling anyone to work on his day of rest, Aharonson sees the prohibition on Saturday work as a negation of what he labels "the true mission of Zionism."

"Does it make sense to call on Moslems or Christians in Israel to do jobs which Jews can do, but either will not or cannot — because of the religious Sabbath observance requirement? How, indeed, can you run a modern Zionist state with such religious limitations?"

Ispro to float new stock issue

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Ispro Real Estate Company is turning to the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange with a new financing issue in the amount of IL16.68m. In keeping with the prospectus just brought out, the company is issuing rights in the total of IL3.34m. Each right will entitle the holder to subscribe to one share of IL1 nominal value, together with one option. The execution of the right will be carried out against a cash payment of IL1.

The units are offered to ordinary shareholders as well as to holders of the company's debentures in a ratio of two units for each IL3 nominal value of shares or of IL3.36 nominal value.

The company's shares currently sell for just under IL5. They have been the object of speculative interest in recent months and have had a sharp price run-up.

Piryon pays dividend

By JOSEPH MORGENSTERN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Piryon Trust and Investment Co. announced this week that it will pay shareholders a four per cent cash dividend as well as bonus shares in the order of 20 per cent. The company has also decided to issue rights in the form of "B" shares of the company. The annual meeting is scheduled for September 20 and the shares will trade ex-rights on the 25th of this month.

Piryon is an investment company controlled by Shaul Eisenberg, an international businessman who has made his headquarters in Tel Aviv. Piryon was an offshoot of the now defunct Kats Bakery in Haifa. Starting with assets of Natsal dollars, the first investment was in the shares of Belco Petroleum, listed on the New York Stock Exchange. The company has turned in a good paper profit on these shares.

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The schools and Hammer

THE SCHOOL YEAR which begins today may, or may not, mark new beginnings. A great deal depends on the personal initiative of Ze'evul Hammer, the new Minister of Education and Culture, and the first NRP leader ever to hold that post.

In his maiden appearance before the Jerusalem press corps earlier this week, Mr. Hammer called for a firmly defined policy in education. He spoke with considerable passion and conviction, but his statement sounded more like an election platform than a seriously thought-out programme of action.

Above all, Mr. Hammer believes, not surprisingly, that there should be greater "Jewish consciousness" in the country's Jewish schools.

Now surely few, even among the most ardent secularists, would contend that more and better instruction in Judaism is unhelpful to a child's intellectual and moral development. The real question is, how is this to be done? Does Mr. Hammer mean that there should be more hours of Jewish studies in State schools, and if so, at the expense of which other subjects? And if he wants more hours of Jewish studies in addition to other subjects, where will he find the money, given the present budgetary constraints?

Or does Mr. Hammer merely suggest that Bible should be taught differently, since all recent reports indicate that more hours of Bible do not necessarily mean more knowledge, or even a more favourable attitude about Jewish tradition. To appreciate the gravity of the problem, one may usefully consider the Black Panther leaders who attended Agudat Yisrael schools. Not only did they emerge ignorant of the Jewish tradition, but they have also become actively hostile to it. What is Mr. Hammer's proposed solution?

Interestingly, Mr. Hammer also stated that he favoured more "pluralism," "flexibility" and "autonomy" in the school system. He did not make it clear, however, whether such autonomy would allow schools to offer, say, optional courses in Zen Buddhism, or for that matter Marxism — or perhaps in Reform Judaism, sympathetically treated, of course.

The Minister of Education took due notice of the fact that thousands of Israeli youth wander the streets, neither working nor studying. He thought this was, as he put it, terrible. So did Mr. Hammer's predecessors in office, from Zalman Aranne on.

Moreover, these earlier Ministers had tried to grapple with the enormous issue of educational disadvantage through a series of major corrective programmes. Aranne introduced school reform, Yigal Allon devised early childhood education, and more recently Aharon Yadin started the social betterment project. Mr. Hammer's contribution in this area so far has been limited to vague talk about more boarding schools, and community and parent education.

The only genuine innovation Mr. Hammer has come up with to date is in his intention to re-evaluate the school reform, which seeks to integrate 12-year-olds from different backgrounds in an intermediate school. The readiness to take a critical, second look at a programme which has cost many millions of pounds is certainly to be welcomed.

Despite yesterday's official denial, it appears that a tentative decision to scrap school reform has in fact already been taken. This is based on the largely negative — but still unpublished — findings of Professors Micha Chen and Haim Adler about social and academic achievements of pupils in the intermediate schools.

It must, of course, be remembered that the reform — which means integration — has from the start been a special problem for the State Religious school system, some 70-75 percent of whose pupils are termed "disadvantaged." The reaction of religious parents of "advantaged" students has manifested itself in the rise of segregated secondary school yeshivot, and in the establishment of institutions such as the Noam private elementary school in Jerusalem.

Perhaps, then, it will be a good thing if the reform, which in any case integrates children at a comparatively late age, is buried. But with it will be buried many high hopes and noble aspirations. Mr. Hammer has not yet even hinted at any specific counter-reform that might take its place in dealing with what he himself recognises as perhaps Israel's major social problem today.

Back to semantics

THE PEOPLE of this country can now sleep peacefully: there is no organized crime; there are only regional crime bosses.

This cheerful disclosure is apparently contained in the Bochner Committee report, which was submitted yesterday to the Minister of Interior and Police, Dr. Yosef Burg. Speedily put together, this product of an internal police probe is said to repeat — but with far less justification — the six-year old claim of Attorney General (now Supreme Court Justice) Meir Shamgar that Israel is free of any organized crime on the U.S. pattern.

Theoretically, the conclusion may be true; but it is also, as Dr. Burg for one pointed out earlier this month, wholly irrelevant. Crime may be dangerously rampant, and threaten a nation's fabric, without resorting to foreign models. It is enough that the underworld casts such a pall of fear over society that normally law-abiding citizens feel obliged to cooperate with the criminals — rather than with the crime-fighters.

That, indeed, appears to be the situation in Israel today, and has led to the feeling that the police force, as presently constituted, is incapable of assuring the domestic security of the citizenry.

Inevitably, this will only encourage efforts by self-appointed private eyes in the public service to snoop around in search of evidence of uncovered — and unpunished — crime.

Over the past two years, the most prominent among these unauthorized investigators has been Ehud Olmert MK, a member of the Likud's La'am faction. Mr. Olmert, as everyone knows by now, has made public a vast amount of incriminating material supposedly fed to him by disgruntled police officers. He is, however, also said to have unearthed some new facts about crime which he has shared with the police.

It need not be held against Mr. Olmert — as his former colleague, Akiva Nof MK, now of the DMC, has done — that not all of his accusations stood up in court; more than one judge has let an accused go scot free, though fully convinced of his guilt, on a technicality. More to the point is the fact that Mr. Olmert, a young man with a driving ambition, who enjoys the protection of his parliamentary immunity, has not been above trampling somewhat recklessly on other people's reputations.

One of Mr. Olmert's most recent targets, Aluf (Res.) Rehavam Ze'evi, has, after turning to Interior and Police Minister Burg, received a rather unusual public exoneration.

In a letter to Ze'evi, Dr. Burg deplored in strong terms, but without naming Mr. Olmert, the practice of spreading around unsubstantiated rumours, instead of submitting them to the police. He assured Mr. Ze'evi that the police were not investigating any charges of his involvement with "so-called organized crime." And he especially regretted the insinuations against Mr. Ze'evi in view of the general's distinguished record of military service.

Dr. Burg's letter — private in its address but clearly meant for public inspection — was an exercise in the same kind of semantic confusion the minister had himself deplored in regard to the issue of organized crime. It cleared Mr. Ze'evi in advance of charges never made, and kept silent on complaints actually voiced.

It has been said of Mr. Olmert, not unjustly, that his tactics reek of McCarthyism. Dr. Burg's conduct, for that matter, smacks of blatant favouritism.

Plainly, the whole problem of crime and the battle against it calls for a thorough, and immediate, investigation by a judicial inquiry commission.

Although some of the facts have been known for some time, no thorough investigation has yet been undertaken of the torture regularly visited by

Egged upon innocent bus passengers. YAA'COV FRIEDLER offers the results of an "Inside" probe in the great city of Haifa.

ORDEAL BY BUS

IT IS HIGH time someone did something about the torture inflicted on Israelis by the Egged bus cooperative, which has an exclusive monopoly, granted to it by the government. If that isn't sinister, nothing is. Egged tortures the population quite indiscriminately, Jews and Arabs alike, those whose only "crime" is that they haven't wasted Israel's meagre foreign currency reserves by buying private cars, and the spare parts and imported petrol needed to run them.

The Jerusalem Post one-man "Inside" team managed to get on to Egged bus, inconspicuously, after waiting for 47.5 minutes in 40 degree heat, at a bus stop where there was no shade, for a bus scheduled to run every 15 minutes.

Conditions inside the bus were almost indescribable, and would have horrified any democratic citizen of an enlightened country. We had to fight our way in, as otherwise we would have been pushed aside and perhaps trampled on by the late people in the queue, some of whom may have waited for 52 minutes. It was incredible, to impartial Western observers, that these citizens of the Jewish State should fight to get into dirty, airless, overcrowded buses in the first place. But "Inside" got on at last, and we still regret it.

Everybody was pushing. Parcels, bags and suitcases cluttered the narrow gangway because the luggage rack couldn't accommodate them. Trying to get from one part of the bus to the other was like being in an obstacle race, made dangerous by all the other passengers trying to move along simultaneously and pushing each other off balance. This was quickly exploited by the driver who pulled out suddenly, with a jerk, and sent the unfortunate passengers flying. However, as there was nowhere to fly to, they simply knocked into each other.

THE SMELL, incidentally, was terrible. It came from the armpits of those who had been exposed to the sun for "pre-torture" before the bus came along. Even more amazing was that the apparently subdued passengers, resigned to their bitter fate in a country that claims to be "a democratic outpost" in the Middle East, actually paid the driver for the torture they were about to undergo.

The bus crawled along, getting hotter by the minute. The more nervous among the passengers, inspired by the "no smoking" sign, smoked, thus further polluting the intolerable atmosphere, while others dripped melting multi-coloured ice-cream on the seated passengers' clothes.

This did not seem to matter very much to the regimented Israeli passengers, whose clothes were already sopping wet with sweat. Some were stuck to their seats, which were deliberately made of plastic materials guaranteed to add to one's discomfort in hot weather.

At every stop, more unfortunate Israelis (Arabs too), were allowed to squeeze into the bus by the driver, who rudely screamed at the unfortunate already inside to move along and make room for more victims. We were told that years ago, drivers would occasionally utter magic words of relief, "Lo Le'atot Yotem" (full up), to save those inside additional torture; but they have stopped using this very foreign-sounding formula, and now squeeze them in, in the best traditions of the Black Hole of Calcutta.

ONE SENIOR Israeli official interviewed by "Inside" conceded reluctantly that the Israeli bus passenger is indeed an "endangered species." But power-hungry Israeli

bureaucrats, who are quite devoid of feeling, appear to be indifferent to the fate of the millions of Israelis who travel by bus.

A veteran Israeli passenger confided to the "Inside" team that along the route of his own particular torture box (his expression, the authentic tape-recording is in safekeeping), two old age homes have been built. He is convinced that they are there to receive the unfortunate passengers who, he said, and we quote verbatim, "grow old waiting for the bus to come."

Responsible officials in Israel, whom "Inside" interviewed on this widespread mistreatment of Israelis, attempted to shrug off the charges, stressing that Egged was not a government enterprise. However, they could not account for the fact that it holds a government monopoly and is even subsidised for its treatment of unfortunate passengers.

Some of the gentle souls active in Israel's so-called "Environment and Quality of Life" movements, too, are doing their best to ignore the malpractice. They are busy running around the country, in private cars, to preach against the construction of power stations and factories, instead of doing something to save the lives of human beings, the Israeli bus passenger.

As cars cause more pollution than any industrial plant, their activities resemble nothing so much as a drunkard haranguing a meeting of teetotalers on the evils of drink. But that, "Inside" established, is the way the Zionist State is currently being run.

Perhaps the most amazing discovery made by "Inside" was that, instead of rising up against their oppressors, the Israeli passengers bark at each other, often resorting to hand-to-hand fighting. □

The introduction of a IL1 payment for every prescription by Kupat Holim, says DR. DAVID SAMSON, is unlike-

ly to prevent Israelis from gobbling up medicines — if, indeed, they do so in immoderate amounts.

Panacea or placebo?

THE CHAIRMAN of Kupat Holim, Professor Haim Doron, is convinced that the introduction of IL1 for every prescription issued by the sick fund, or more accurately for every drug unit prescribed — would go a long way towards solving not only the problem of Kupat Holim's financing but also the overall problems of drug use and consumption in Israel.

He may perhaps be right about his own organization. But his latter assertion, if looked at critically, is rather confused and even inconsistent. It seems to represent the triumph of hope over experience or, more precisely, the absence of experience, since some of his comments represent mere speculation and others have nothing directly to do with the imposition of the new charges.

This can be illustrated by a brief analysis of some of the more prominent of Prof. Doron's remarks on the matter as reported in *The Jerusalem Post* (July 26th).

(1) "Our main hope (in introducing the charges) is to reduce the number of medicines picked up and never used."

Even if it could be proved that fewer drugs will be "picked up" as a result of these charges (and this is still an assumption) there is no reason to believe that such a reduction will selectively effect only those drugs which until now were "never used." Thus even in the future this problem will only be partially solved. The real solution to this problem lies in a totally different approach, which starts off by asking, why do people hoard drugs in this way in the first place?

(2) "Israelis down five times as much medicines as patients in most

other countries."

This is a well-known claim which is trotted out whenever drug consumption in Israel is being discussed. It is based on the undisputed fact that prescription rates in this country are several times greater than in many other western countries. However, unless we also know the actual amounts of drugs in each prescription, the comparison loses much value.

A Kupat Holim doctor is normally limited in the number of days' treatment he may prescribe for any one patient at any one time. Thus for a month's treatment he may have — or at least used to have — to issue 3 or 4 separate prescriptions to the same patient, whereas his counterpart in England, for example, can do the same thing in one prescription. Even if it could still be shown that Israelis do swallow more tablets than elsewhere, this might mean that people abroad are not receiving as much medication as their state of health actually requires, or that Israelis are as a whole less healthy than other people and hence justifiably need more drugs.

In fact, both of these possibilities may be partly true. Who knows? Only detailed comparative studies on a large scale would settle this intriguing matter once and for all.

(3) "Doctors will be instructed on how to properly prescribe drugs."

By so saying Professor Doron tacitly acknowledges that there are Kupat Holim doctors who don't yet know how "to properly prescribe drugs" — although it is not clear whether he means a lack of basic pharmacological knowledge, or mostly lack of familiarity with factors relating to drug formulation,

dosage, length of treatment and so on (both of these aspects are, of course, closely related to one another). Laudable as the intention is, it does not explain why the required knowledge has been lacking in the past. I am sure Prof. Doron would not contend that the need for such education has only been revealed as a result of the introduction of the new charges.

(4) "We will try to educate the public not to gobble down medicines indiscriminately."

This seems to be inconsistent with a picture of drugs being picked up and never used. In the sick fund context it would seem rational to interpret this as an intention to bid doctors not to prescribe medicines indiscriminately. Outside the sick fund, it must refer to medications obtained from non-Kupat Holim sources. As an exercise in health education it may certainly be desirable, but again it has nothing directly to do with charging for medicines.

IN THE MEANTIME, the question may be asked: Is there any reason to believe that Kupat Holim doctors will not behave as any other commodity does when its cost to the consumer is raised? In the short term there is inevitably a fall in demand. But in the long term, as experience has shown, demand will return to its previous level.

If that is the case, then as far as the drug industry in Israel is concerned, Kupat Holim's new one pound charge for every prescription may turn out to be only a short-acting placebo rather than Professor Doron's yearned-for panacea. Dr. Samson is the author of the "Doctor's Note-Book" column in *"The Post."*

POSTSCRIPTS

MANY PEOPLE continue to be sceptical about the extent, if any, to which developments in the Middle East will be favourably influenced by President Carter's affinity for the Bible. It is interesting to note, however, the role the Bible — specifically Ezekiel's "dry bones vision" — played in the Lloyd Bank's decision to grant the Zionist Movement a desperately needed loan of half a million pounds sterling 43 years ago. On December 30, 1934, Arthur Ruppin recorded in his *Diaries* the successful conclusion of the negotiations, and wrote:

"For me, the most interesting part of the negotiations was a meeting of the board of Lloyd's Bank at which one of the directors, who believes in the Bible, read chapter 37 from Ezekiel to those who doubted that the Zionist Movement would succeed, and thereby persuaded the board to accept unanimously the loan agreement. This could have happened only in Britain: The words spoken by the Prophet 2,500 years ago influenced the decision of a bank!" M.K.

METULLA'S renowned "Aunt Esther" — Israeli Prize-winner Esther Levite, who has lived in the town of her birth for 73 years, spoke in Hebrew and Arabic this week at the concluding ceremonies of the Israel-Lebanese summer camp. The camp was attended by 100 children, half from each side of the Good Fence, and included participation by both Israeli and Lebanese counsellors. Aunt Esther told stories about her long experience in the area. Lebanese children expressed the hope that their schools, which

have been closed for two years, will open this year, and Israeli kids wished that the camp could be held on the other side of the border next summer, presumably when the area is enjoying peace. But meanwhile, throughout the ceremonies, the clump of artillery could be heard from the Lebanese hills. Y.H.

ONE WAG WE KNOW wonders why the Hebrew University established a Sigmund Freud Chair in Psychoanalytic Studies...and not a couch...

Dry Bones



READERS' LETTERS

LEGAL SITUATION ON WEST BANK

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post* — It is one thing for Secretary of State Cyrus Vance to criticize Israel for legitimizing Jewish settlements on the West Bank — the U.S. has a political and economic stake in the Mid-East. The Executive is within its rights to make its views heard, though these may be unacceptable to many at home and abroad. One can even make out a case for the Arab states making an issue of it.

It is plain abuse of office, however, for the Secretary-General of the UN, to comment on the actions of a member state before the Security Council has debated the matter. Moreover, he is plainly wrong in stating that Israel is in breach of the Geneva Convention, misjudgment of some of our lesser luminaries in the State Department. When Britain abandoned Western Palestine, its place was taken in 1948 by Israel, Egypt and Jordan. Their sovereignty and jurisdiction in the respective areas of occupation were established by the mutual acceptance of the 1949 armistice lines. These lines were sanctioned by the UN and accepted as binding by the Arab states, otherwise there would be no basis for reference to the Geneva Convention.

One may take the transcendental view that Israel's occupation of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip in 1967

constituted an "aggression" by the "Arab Nation." Or accept the tacit recognition of the Security Council Resolution 242 which resulted from a justifiably campaign: the issue becomes when the Arab summit, which Egypt and Jordan's treaty participants, declare PLO was the sole representative of the "Palestinian" people.

The effect of this piece in international law was and final remuneration by Jordan of all claims to a jurisdiction in the Gaza Strip. The Israel as the sole successor to the British Government in the whole Palestine.

In consequence, the Convention is entirely irrelevant to the acts of the Government in any part of the country Heights and Sinai problems: as far as Palestine is concerned, it is a political problem and problem. The Secretary only leads his office into reputations that it is already ing comments. Our own State should think about his legal advisers. HARR

Brooklyn, New York.

LEGAL QUESTION

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post*

Sir, — In your issue of March 25, 1977, you published an article under the heading, "Church J.N.F. row over land lease in Jerusalem," to the effect that the Greek Orthodox Patriarchate had lodged an eviction case in the Jerusalem Magistrates' Court, for the eviction of 1400 dunams of land leased to J.N.F. in 1951-1952 for 99 years. The land as described in your paper is the most favourable in West Jerusalem; it has since been re-zoned for building and is now being intensively built up. The rent originally agreed upon by lessor and lessee is IL50,000 per annum. Metropolitan Germanos testified in court that this rent was in fact the main source of income of the Greek Convent at the time of the lease.

It goes without saying that the present value of the rent is much higher and experts estimate the value of a dunam at half to one million pounds.

This means that the annual rent is much less than the value of the land. This matter raises a legal question: Does a contract contain a representation? If the positive, which I am sure the said contract would contain, would it be a misrepresentation?

To my mind, this is a interesting question to is observers and law students. JAMIL A. NASI

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